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Port Almanac—January 19.

Sun Rises	7.08 A M
Sun Sets	5 15 P M
Day's Length	10 h 07 m
High Water at Southport	7 50 A M
High Water at Wilmington	8.02 A M

The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan 19.

Meteorological data for yesterday:

Temperature: 8 a. m., 59°; 8 p. m., 45°; maximum, 60°; minimum, 45°; mean, 52°.

Rainfall for the day, 58; rainfall since 1st of month up to date, 1 04.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Jan. 14.—At 8 a. m. the stage of water in the Cape Fear river was 7.8 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

For North Carolina—Fair; northwesterly winds; colder in eastern portion.

OUTLINES.

The First National Bank, of Newport, Ky., the German National, of Louisville, Ky., and the Minnesota Savings Bank, of St. Paul, Minn., have failed. —— The United States Supreme Court decides that the South Carolina dispensary law, so far as it attempts to prevent a citizen from importing into the State liquor for his own use, is a violation of the Inter-State Commerce law, and therefore null and void. —— Thomas F. Bynum has been appointed Collector of Customs for the Albemarle district of North Carolina. —— The bubonic plague is growing worse in Bombay, and two-thirds of the population have fled. —— The United States Court, at Jacksonville, Fla., in the case against the steamer Three Friends for the violation of the neutrality laws, decided that there was no violation of the law. —— Governor Long, of Massachusetts, has accepted the Secretaryship of the Navy in McKinley's Cabinet. —— A. J. Butts, express agent on the Georgia Railroad, has been arrested on suspicion of having stolen a package containing $4 000. —— At a mass meeting of Cuban sympathizers in Charleston, S. C., resolutions were adopted favoring Cuban independence and recognition of the belligerency of the patriots. —— Gomez is concentrating his forces preparatory to an advance, and the Government is rushing troops to check him; the Governor of Puerto Principe ordered the arrest of several distinguished ladies, and they are confined in jail with common criminals. —— The insurgents continue active around Havana and are cutting off supplies from the city; small pox has extended to all the wards of the city and has been officially declared epidemic. —— Wm. H. Ellerbe, the new Governor of South Carolina, was inaugurated at Columbia in the presence of a vast audience —— Cuban insurgents blew up a Spanish gunboat with a torpedo killing many of the crew. —— New York markets: Money on call easy at 1½@2 per cent., last loan at 1½ per cent., closing offered at 1½ per cent.; cotton quiet—middling 7 3-16c; Southern flour was quiet and steady —common to fair extra $3 30@3 65; good to choice $3 75@4 05; wheat —spot dull and easier, with options; free on board 97⅝c, ungraded red 78@98c; corn—spot dull, weaker, No. 2 28⅜c at elevator and 29⅜c afloat; rosin quiet —strained common to good $1 70@1 72½; spirits turpentine steady at 27¾@28¼c.

The public debt of France amounts to about $8,000,000,000, but as she owes most of it to her own people she isn't worrying much over it.

That Kentucky man was a sticker who when dying directed in his will that on his tombstone should be inscribed "Free silver at the ratio of 16 to 1."

The Ohio sauerkraut compounders want protection from imported s. k. Most people were under the impression that properly built sauerkraut was strong enough to take care of itself.

The protectionists who are demanding more protection on wool are taking time by the forelock and importing a good deal, with the expectation of making their Jack if a new tariff bill be passed.

The Philadelphia *Times* Almanac for 1897 is a valuable and interesting one, filled with a variety of information cleverly condensed and conveniently arranged for reference. We are under obligations for a copy.

Spend your cash this coming week with C. W. Polvogt & Co. They offer the greatest bargains in dry goods that have been offered you for some time. †

Read C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s advertisement and see how cheap they are selling their Table Linens, Towels, White Goods, Carpets and Notions. †

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

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TO CITY SUBSCRIBERS.

The STAR will be delivered by carrier at any point in the city at 12 cents per week, or 45 cents per month.

Widower Hart, of Dayton, Ohio, courted Widow Davis, of Pittsburg, Pa., who, in addition to her other attractions, was worth $50,000. She said she'd be his'n but reconsidered and changed her mind. He now wants her to pay him $25,000 for kicking him after he threw up his job in Dayton to enter on the joint partnership with her. From Cupid's court he has now become a suitor in the courts of justice.

It is a bad blizzard that blows no good to any one. Senator Hansbrough, of North Dakota, had a blizzard on his side and got in ahead of the combination that was trying to beat him. He and his supporters got to Bismarck on time, but a blizzard filled the roads with snow so that the other fellows could not get in until Hansbrough's fellows had put up the job.

Some of the Democratic gold organs which promised unbounded prosperity if Bryan was defeated are now accounting for prosperity's failure to put in an appearance by the tariff chattering of the Republicans, which is scaring it off It is a cold day when these fellows can't find a reason for something that doesn't happen.

A European leg artist has contrived an artificial leg so like the natural leg that the wearer isn't always sure which is the natural and which the artificial one until some fellow treads on his corns or the rheumatism or something of that sort tackles him. Then he wishes he had two of 'em.

It is stated that out of seventy-three cases of diphtheria in the city of Ogdensburg, N. Y., which were treated with anti-toxine all but two recovered.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

CLYDE LINE—Sailing days.
J. D BELLAMY—Mortgage sale.
MASONIC—Meeting Wil. Lodge.
MERCER & EVANS—Buy two pair.
MADAME AMAE—Spiritual medium.
ENTERTAIN'T—Ladies 1st Baptist Ch.
MEETING—Daughters of Confederacy.

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— See fourth page for other new advertisements.

— The Produce Exchange will be closed to-day—Lee's birthday—a legal holiday in North Carolina.

— The entertainment, "The Coming Woman," has been postponed on account of the sickness of one of the players.

— Members of the Second Regiment Band should not forget that the rehearsals will be resumed at 8 o'clock to-night.

— The german which was to be given at Germania Hall to-night by members of L'Arioso and L'Agile Cotillon Clubs has been postponed indefinitely.

— Madame Amae, spiritual medium, has arrived in the city and is located at No. 812 Chesnut street, between Third and Fourth. The madame reveals the present, past and future.

— There will be an important meeting of the Daughters of the Confederacy at the W. L. I. armory at 4 o'clock this afternoon. Annual election of officers and collection of dues.

— The advanced classes of Hemenway and Union Schools, which have been occupying the building on North Third street, formerly used by Miss Hart as a school house, moved yesterday into the Tileston building on Ann street.

— Our neighbor-in-law Gee Zee said to our Raleigh correspondent yesterday: "We will put the city of Wilmington under respectable Republican rule." The STAR of January 10th gave its readers a forecast of what may be expected.

Merchants of Neighboring Towns.

Merchants haven't been thoroughly pleased with the condition of trade for the last few weeks, but business increased quite perceptibly yesterday, and there is good ground for expecting a lively Spring trade. A few of the merchants from neighboring towns who were here yesterday recruiting their stocks were E. J. W. Anders, Ivanhoe; J. H. Lucas, Goldsboro; R. V. Leonard, Shallotte; J. B Freeman, Lumberton, M. N. Teachy, Teachey's; Wm. Holt, Loris, S. C.

Silks for waists and evening wear are to be had cheap during this week at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. It is their Bargain Week and January Clearing Sale. †

Bargain Week and January Clearing Sale at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. †

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

— Mr. Preston Cumming is on the sick list.

— Mr. J. W. Carr, of Trinity, N. C., is here.

— Chief of Police Melton has gone to Raleigh.

— Mr. H. E. Gibbons is out again after a very severe illness.

— Dr. J. C. Loftin, of Rocky Point, was registered here yesterday.

— Mr. J. W. Green, of Winston, was among yesterday's arrival.

— Lieut. Jno. C. Cantwell, U. S. R. M., is here on official business.

— Mr. S. F. Everett, of Everett's Station, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. P. H. Morgan, of the Life Saving Service, was registered here yesterday.

— Mr. William Weeks, a constant reader of the STAR at Southport, is in the city.

— Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Angel, of Goldsboro, formerly of this city, spent Sunday here.

— Mr. J. J. Clemmons, of Rocky Mount, was in the city Sunday on a visit to his family.

— Prof. J. A. W. Thompson, principal of the Siler City Thompson School and Business College, is in the city.

— Mr. C. W. Woodward, who is connected with the California Fruit Transportation Company, was among yesterday's hotel registration.

— Among the arrivals in the city yesterday were Mr. K. C. Barrett, Florence, S. C.; Mr. A. J. Galloway, Goldsboro; Mr. J. E. C. Bell, Shawboro; Mr. C. N. Leonard and Mr. J. R. Worthington, Shallotte; Mr. W. A. Pyke, Southport.

Former Wilmingtonian Weds in Washington, D. C.

Mr. Hardy B. Willis, formerly of this city, but now of Richmond, Va., where he is engaged as electrician for the Richmond Railway and Electric Company, was married on the 14th inst. in Washington, D. C., to Miss Mena Metzger also of Richmond, Rev. Edward B. Bagley officiating. After an extensive bridal tour, the couple will return to Richmond and will make that city their home. Mr. Willis has many friends and relatives in this city. He is a son of the late Capt. Hardy B. Willis, at one time holding a commission in the Wilmington Light Infantry.

At Rest in Oakdale.

The funeral of Mrs. John H. Hardin was conducted at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon from the First Baptist church by Rev. W. B. Oliver.

The church was thronged with relatives and friends. A very tender and appropriate solo was sung by Mrs. Jas. Calder.

The body was interred in Oakdale cemetery. The floral offerings were profuse and very beautiful. The pall bearers were, honorary, Dr. T. S. Burbank and Dr. A. H. Harriss; active, J. H. Watters, T. O. Bunting, Jno. H. Beery, C. C. Brown, Dr. J. H. Durham and Jno. F. Brookfield, Newark, N. J.

Improvements at the First Baptist Church Building.

The lecture room at the First Baptist church is to be greatly improved. The amount necessary to cover the expense has practically all been pledged and work will begin at an early date. The greater part of the money will be expended on the upper story, which will be newly ceiled, floored and painted.

The ladies of the church are giving a series of entertainments, which, it is understood, will go to purchase a new carpet for the main part of the building. The first of these entertainments will be given to-morrow night.

Business Failure.

The prevailing financial depression, coupled with the strain of an old debt, compelled Mr. James H. Taylor, dealer in hardware, house-furnishing goods, &c., to make an assignment yesterday. Mr. Iredell Meares is assignee. According to the existing law on assignments, there were no preferred creditors. Neither the liabilities nor the assets have been certainly estimated.

The STAR sympathizes with Mr. Taylor and expresses the hope that he will soon be financially on his feet again.

Air-Guns and Sling-Shots.

A city reader of the STAR says:

Cannot something be done by our city authorities to break up the shooting of air-guns and the use of sling-shots upon the streets of the city? It is not only a dangerous practice but a plain violation of law. We were shown yesterday a bullet hole which was shot through a wire netting and a pretty window of one of our handsome city churches. In this instance the property of others was only damaged, but if through accident that bullet had gone astray and struck some person who happened to pass at the time it must have produced death. Let examples be made, and the boys caught thus violating the law be punished to the fullest extent, and their parents who permit them to do these things be made to pay for all damages to property.

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents tf

No house will sell you goods as cheap as C. W. Polvogt & Co. this week. It is their Bargain Week. Terms strictly cash. †

New Laces and Embroideries have been received by C. W. Polvogt & Co. who have their Bargain Week and January Clearing Sale during this week. †

January Clearing Sale together with a Bargain Week at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. Read their ad. †

SUPERIOR COURT

Convened Yesterday for a Term of Two Weeks—Cases on the Criminal Docket Taken Up.

The January term of the Superior Court for New Hanover county convened at the Court House yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, Hon. Jas. D. McIver, Judge presiding. The following officers of the Court were in attendance: M. C. Richardson, Esq., solicitor; Col. Jno. D. Taylor, clerk, and Mr. Jno. Haar, assistant clerk.

The grand jury was drawn and empanelled as follows: Matt J. Heyer, (foreman), C. L. Frost, E. Orrell, W. A. Patten, Michael Carroll, George T. Johnson, W. W. Banks, I. M. Chesnutt, W. J. Johnson, J. H. Southerland, Thomas H. Thornton, John L. Dudley, J. W. Kerr, R. F. Gore, John T. Smith, J. H. Highsmith, R. G. Holmes, B. S. Smith.

The following cases on the criminal docket were disposed of:

Gilbert Williams, charged with assault and battery with a deadly weapon, verdict not guilty.

Levy Lane, charged with forcible trespass, not a true bill.

The case against Henry Brown and Thos. Brown, two small colored boys, charged with assault and battery with a deadly weapon, was nol prossed.

Divorces were granted in the following suits: Julia Mallett vs. Alexander Mallett, Esther B. Gampson vs. Henry Gampson, Novella McKenzie vs. J. T. McKenzie, and Back C. Wright vs. Anna Irene Wright.

Court, at 5 30 o'clock, took a recess until 10 o'clock this morning, when the case against R F. Holmes, for assaulting Mr. R. F. Hamme, will be called.

BOGUS CHECKS.

John R Hicks Alias R. F. Lee Committed to Jail for Trial at the Superior Court.

John R. Hicks alias R. F. Lee, the white man arrested Saturday night by Chief of Police Melton and Sergeant Gore while trying to pass bogus checks, was arraigned in the City Court yesterday. The defendant waived examination and was placed under $200 justified bond for his appearance at the present term of the Superior Court. He failed to give the required bond and was committed to jail.

Hicks attempted to pass bogus checks on several merchants in the city, but was only successful in the following instances:

Saturday evening about sunset Hicks entered the produce commission store of Mr. I. W. Alderman, on Front street, near Grace, and succeeded in getting Mr. Alderman to cash a check for $5 on the National Bank of Wilmington, signed by D. Y. Bliss.

About 8 30 o'clock Hicks bought a roast of beef from Mr. Jas. Holland, at Front street market, and tendered in payment another check for $5 on the National Bank of Wilmington, signed by D. Y. Bliss. Mr. Holland took the check and gave Hicks $4 65, the difference, in money. Hicks then, on his way out, stopped at the store of Mr. A. W Baldwin and bought a bill of goods amounting to forty cents. He gave another "Bliss" check, and received $4.60 in change.

The checks mentioned were presented at the National Bank of Wilmington for payment yesterday morning, but were rejected as bogus.

Initiating a Drayman.

The draymen of the city are a happy lot, not without a keen sense of humor. And the humorous side of their character never comes out so plainly as on the occasion of the initiation of a new member into their organization. It was a rare sight yesterday to witness a performance of this kind in which shingles, whiplashes and other instruments of a like nature and used for a like purpose were freely brought into service. The victim bore the jokes and the blows with great patience and good humor, while the broad grins upon the faces of the participants were something to be remembered.

And there was such a fine, generous spirit about it all, too. When one had used the instrument of torture to his satisfaction, it was not that he would exclude everybody else from the rare pleasure, but it was "Come here, Ephraim, you ain't had none of this, is yet?" So that even the modest, rather backward drayman came in for his share of the fun.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—237 bales cotton, 5 casks spirits turpentine, 9 bbls tar.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—349 bales cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 102 bbls rosin, 52 bbls tar.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—18 casks spirits turpentine, 44 bbls tar.

Steamer E. A. Hawes—45 casks spirits turpentine, 495 bbls rosin, 66 bbls tar, 11 bbls crude turpentine.

Steamer Driver—3 casks spirits turpentine, 25 bbls rosin, 55 bbls tar, 1 bbl crude turpentine.

Schooner Stonewall—3 bales cotton, 100 bbls rosin, 76 bbls tar.

Total receipts—Cotton, 715 bales; spirits turpentine, 99 casks; rosin, 764 bbls; tar, 318 bbls; crude turpentine, 12 bbls.

One Cent a Word.

Hereafter advertisements to go in our "Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however short, will be taken for less than 20 cents

This is a reduction from former rates and it is also a convenience to advertisers who can calculate the exact cost of their advertisements, which must be paid for always in advance.

Those in need of Carpets, Blankets and Comforts would do well to visit C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s this week. It is their Bargain Week and January Clearing Sale. †

FUNERAL OF REV. DR. HUSKE.

Death of Mrs. Susan Hall—Other Fayetteville News.

[*Special Star Correspondence*]

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Jan. 18.

"A great man has fallen in Israel," and Israel mourns his departure. The death of Rev. Dr. Joseph Caldwell Huske, of Fayetteville, N. C., has been previously announced in the STAR. Being for a great number of years the chaplain of the Fayetteville Independent Light Infantry Company, his remains were met yesterday at 11.30 o'clock en route from "Bordeaux," the residence of his son-in-law, three and one-half miles from Fayetteville, by a full company of the F. I. L. I. soldiery and escorted to St. John's church, hundreds of our citizens composing the procession. From 12 o'clock noon until 3 o'clock in the afternoon the body of the man beloved by all who knew him was viewed, and that peaceful countenance which has so often been as "a halo in the desert" to many a weary pilgrim in life's troublesome journey, giving comfort and cheer where cares and sorrows weighed down the soul of the bereaved and sorrowing, reflected the peace and joy promised in Holy Writ to those who have "fought a good fight and have kept the faith." Over his bier the F. I. L. I. had placed a special guard of honor, who remained until the last sad rites had been performed by Bishop Watson who conducted the solemn ceremonies. At 3 o'clock St. John's Church was crowded to its utmost capacity and hundreds were debarred the privilege of participating in the honor of giving their "Amen" to the appropriate scripture which was read and the pathetic prayers which were offered.

Rev. Dr. Hughes, rector of St. John's Church, assisted in the ceremonies, and a well-selected orchestra of male voices, with Mr. H. R. Novitzky as musical director, chaunted the last sad requiem—the selection at the grave—"Thy Will Be Done," being rendered with special pathos.

The funeral procession that followed the remains of this good man and great preacher to his grave was probably the largest that ever did honor in Fayetteville to the memory of a departed saint, though many have "passed over the river" whose memory for good works will live throughout all time. Dr. Huske was a man beloved by all denominations, and revered and respected by our entire citizenship.

Dr. Joseph Caldwell Huske was born June 7, 1822, and was therefore in his 75th year. He had been chaplain of the Fayetteville Independent Light Infantry Company since soon after the war, and he was loved and honored by each member thereof. He, as all of his family, took special pride in this old organization. He had six brothers belonging to this company, who served in its ranks during the war. He has had six sons members of this company, three of them attaining the rank of captain—two of them to-day are captains, Captain B. R. being first captain, and Livingston, the youngest son, being fourth captain. (Your readers doubtless remember that by special act of the Legislature this company has captains instead of lieutenants—it being strictly an independent company.)

Dr. Huske died surrounded by all of his sons, except Robert. Rev. John Huske, assistant rector of St. Thomas' Church, New York city, and Rev. Kirkland Huske, rector of All Saint's Church, Great Neck, Long Island, N. Y., arrived here about one week before his death.

The pall bearers on the funeral occasion were selected from the vestry of St. John's Church, with one exception, and were as follows: Honorary pall bearers—Judge R. P. Buxton and Mr. W. N. Tillinghast; active—Maj. Jno. N. Prior, Maj. E. J. Hale, Messrs. C. W. Bidgood, Andrew Broadfoot, J. C. Haigh, Henry Marsh, H. R. Horne and E. J. Lilly.

Heading the procession was the F. I. L. I. company in full uniform.

We regret to chronicle the death of Mrs. Susan Hall, relict of Mr. Egbert Hall and mother of Mr. Geo. H. Hall, which occurred at Red Springs yesterday morning. Her body was brought here for interment this morning and was followed to its last resting place by a large concourse of loving friends and acquaintances at 11.30 o'clock. Mrs. Hall was a lady of rare Christian virtues and beloved by all who knew her. She was about 70 years of age.

Yours, truly, H. EYE.

P. S.—Powell, America's greatest magician, will present his marvellous programme of magic, mirth and mystery Tuesday evening at the Opera House in Fayetteville. His performance is said to be the most marvellous ever seen here, and since the death of the greatest of magicians, Prof. Herman, Prof. Powell now stands at the head of the profession.

Runaway on Nutt Street.

A horse attached to a dray loaded with groceries, standing in front of Messrs. Vollers & Hashagen's warehouse on Nutt street, became frightened yesterday about noon at the blowing of a steam whistle at the Atlantic Coast Line shops and ran away. The driver, Charles Dixon, colored, was standing along side of the dray trying to put a bale of hay on at the time of the runaway. He ran after the horse, which was going down Nutt street and succeeded in getting hold of one of the reins, but tripped and fell, the dray passing over his body. Dixon was carried into the warehouse of Messrs. Vollers & Hashagen, and from there was sent to his home near Seventeenth and Market streets. Drs. Bellamy and Shepard were called in and stated that Dixon was not seriously hurt.

The horse's mad flight was finally stopped, after he had succeeded in utterly demolishing the dray and scattering its contents, the property of Mr W. A. Vollers.

Inspecting Fortifications.

Gen. William P. Craighill, Chief of Engineers of the U. S. Army, was in Wilmington last week for the purpose of inspecting the fortifications in this vicinity. Friday he went down to Southport and declared himself to be highly pleased with the progress which, under the direction of Col. D. H. Heap, has been made. In fact, he stated that the work on the fortifications in question was farther advanced than on any of the others began at the same time.

January Clearing Sale for one week at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. Greatest bargains ever offered to the ladies of this city. †

Out-of-town people will do well to visit the store of C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s; this week is their Bargain Week. †

Read the advertisement of C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s Bargain Week. †

SENATORIAL SITUATION

BUTLER SEEMS TO HAVE GAINED GROUND

But It Is Difficult to Make Prediction of the Result—Butler Claims There is No Chance of Pritchard's Election—Legislative Proceedings—Both Houses Will Adjourn To-day in Honor of Gen. Lee's Birthday—Will Go Into Election of Senator at Noon—Democrats Adjourn Without Action.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 18.

The election of United States Senator occurs to-morrow at noon. The two branches of the General Assembly will vote separately. If Senator Pritchard receives a majority in both branches he will be declared elected, but if he fails to receive a majority vote in one of the bodies there will be no election. However, should his majority in one body be larger than that of his opponent in the other branch, he could receive an election on Wednesday, when the Assembly meets in joint session.

Senator Pritchard told me this morning that he would in his judgment receive a majority vote in both branches.

Senator Butler's brother, George, the Senator from Sampson, told me this morning that he did not see how it was possible for Pritchard to receive an election. There you are, the same old story.

There are some fears about Senator Jones, of Allegany, who was elected as an independent Democrat. It is rumored that he will vote for Pritchard. Jones is a silver man, and has attended the Democratic caucuses. Yesterday he went to ride in a surry with Senator Pritchard and his brother, Sheriff Pritchard, of Mitchell.

Governor and Mrs. Russell worshipped yesterday morning at Central Methodist Church. Dr. Swindell preached an able sermon there. Senator Pritchard attended services at the Baptist Church.

Mr. Tom Russell, brother of the Governor, who had been here since the inauguration, returned home to-day. Nearly all of the visitors at the Executive Mansion are down with the grippe. Governor and Mrs. Russell have been fortunate enough to escape the prevailing malady.

The Democratic members will caucus to-night at eight o'clock. One of the leading members of the Legislature said to me to-day: "We will impose a condition upon the Populists before agreeing to support Thompson for Senator. The Populists will have to give us their promise that they will not change the management of the various institutions and they must give us due recognition if they expect us to support their candidate for the Senate."

Logue Harris began the preparation of a bill this morning for the change of management in the penitentiary. The bill will become a law.

Ben Lacy's term of office as Commissioner of Labor Statistics does not expire until March.

Mr. G. Z. French, of Wilmington, arrived in the city yesterday. The gentleman from New Hanover said: "We will put the city under respectable Republican rule. No measure has been prepared so far and as yet I cannot say what changes will be made in the city charter." The drawing of a bill to change the charter of Wilmington has been left to Sutton, of New Hanover, who is chairman of the Committee on Cities and Towns.

Walter R. Henry, the mighty redhead from Charlotte, arrived to-day. This colossus had called on Senator Pritchard before that gentleman was fairly dressed.

Henry is here representing Clanton and Williamson, the contesting Republicans from Mecklenburg. He will appear before the Committee on Elections to-night.

There are several members of the Legislature who are sick, and may be unable to get to the Legislature to-morrow to vote for Senator. Among them are Morton, of Richmond, and Parker, of Perquimans. One is a Pritchard man and the other is a Thompsonite.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

Both branches of the Legislature met at 4 o'clock this evening. Committees reported that all microbes had been killed.

In the Senate, Clark introduced a bill to prohibit the sale of liquor within two hundred feet of any church in the State; Roberson, a bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale of liquor in Bladen county.

A resolution was adopted that the Senate go into the election of a Senator at noon to-morrow.

Bill to abolish the extra term of Washington Superior Court passed all readings.

Bill prohibiting the sale of "concealed weapons" was tabled.

Bill allowing Watson, Clerk of Superior Court of Craven county, to absent himself from office at certain times, passed all readings.

Bills were introduced in the House to extend the act for relief of sheriffs and tax collectors to January 1st, 1898.

By Howe, to so amend the election law by imposing duties devolving upon the clerk of the court upon the register of deeds.

By Candler, to provide for payment of persons summoned by special venire as other jurors. Also, to prevent drunkenness. This bill provides that a person found drunk on a public highway or at a public meeting be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined ten dollars or imprisoned thirty days.

Both branches adopted the following joint resolution: "That when the Legislature adjourns to-morrow it adjourn in honor of Robert E. Lee, as a fitting memorial of his life and character."

Representative Jones, of Alleghany, elected as an independent, will probably vote for Pritchard. He said to-day:

"Can't say who I will vote for. Not fully decided. Won't vote for any Populist. Have no faith in them. Been a Democrat and shall act as a Democrat in all matters. Think it best under the circumstances that Republicans should have the Senator as they can control the entire Government." Jones attended one of the Democratic caucuses last week.

Representative Brower declines to say whether he would vote for Pritchard. Said he will make a statement to-morrow.

Jos. E. Boyd has a letter from President-elect McKinley, in which the latter expressed the hope that Brower will vote for Pritchard. Brower and McKinley were in Congress together.

Furguson, of Rutherford county, has gone home, and it is not believed will return in time to vote for Senator. He is an anti-Pritchard Populist. It is stated that Pritchard's influence has induced several other Senators to go home. This is a sharp move.

The minority caucus met in Skinner's room to-night. McCaskey presided. Fifteen members were present and three absent. Chairman McCaskey said it was a preliminary gathering for the bolters to-morrow. He said the proceedings were secret but all present agreed to stand firm.

A statement was made to-night that Dr. Thompson advised his friends to vote for Pritchard instead of himself. This was denied by Thompson himself and denounced as false by Senator Butler. At the same time Senator Butler branded as false in the most dramatic manner the story that Russell would not recognize the majority caucus or any of Butler's friends. Butler said he denied the statement in behalf of Gov. Russell, who was not a factional governor and who would recognize all Populists with Republicans.

The Democratic caucus to-night was well attended, and was in session until 11.30. A long discussion of the Senatorial matter ensued, and many different opinions were expressed. The majority favored nominating a straight Democratic candidate for the Senate. The names of Watson, Manly, Doughton, Clark and Jule Carr were mentioned as candidates. The caucus finally adjourned until 9.30 in the morning without action. It is believed that a candidate will be named. Opposition was expressed to Thompson. Claude Dockery says he has not fully determined how he will vote.

RALEIGH, January 19, 1 a. m.—The majority caucus took no action to-night. It seems that all the sick members will be out to-morrow to vote.

George Butler, brother of the Senator, said to-night that there was no possible chance of Pritchard's election. Senator Butler said to-night: "There will be no election to-morrow. There will probably be an election Wednesday. It will not be Mr. Pritchard." Butler made the statement with great emphasis.

Dr. Pat Exum said to-night: "I think Pritchard should be returned to the Senate, but I know he will not. I am on the inside and learned this to-night. I don't believe in foul methods."

Maj. Grant expressed belief of Pritchard's re-election.

It is difficult to make prediction of the final test to-morrow. Butler seems to have gained ground this evening.

[By Southern Associated Press.]

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 18.—The Democrats and both Populist factions held caucuses to-night. The former adjourned to meet at 9.30 o'clock in the morning without having named a candidate. It is understood that Col. J. S. Carr, of Durham, will be the choice of the caucus unless some overture is received from the Butler Populists.

The camp of Butler's followers was thrown into consternation by the report that Dr. Cyrus Thompson, whom they nominated for Senator Friday night, was advising his friends to vote for Pritchard. This turned out to be true. Butler was greatly agitated. He went in great haste to the caucus. It was learned after the caucus adjourned that Thompson was not withdrawn, but that it was understood that Oliver H. Dockery would receive the Populist vote in the Legislature to-morrow.

Eighteen Pritchard Populists met to-night and resolved to stand firm. These, with the solid Republican vote, will give Pritchard four votes more than a majority. At this hour (midnight) it appears that the election of Pritchard is assured.

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REGULAR MONTHLY COMMUNICATION this (Tuesday) evening at 7.30 o'clock. Visiting brethren welcome.

jan 19 1t THOS. F. BAGLEY, Secretary.

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THE LADIES OF THE FIRST BAPTIST Church will give an entertainment in the Lecture room Wednesday night, January 20th. Admission 10 cents. jan 19 1t

"Daughters of the Confederacy."

IMPORTANT MEETING AT THE ARMORY at 4 o'clock p. m., Tuesday, January 19th. Annual election of officers and collection of dues jan 19 1t

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SPIRITUAL MEDIUM, REVEALS THE past, present and future. If you are in trouble, either business, love or domestic, it will be to your advantage to consult her. Mme Amae can be found at No. 812 Chestnut street, between Third and Fourth.

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nov 7 3m sa JAMES KNIGHT.

When you buy a pair of SHOES buy two pair. Then wear one pair a few days and let them rest while the other pair serves. Your SHOES will last MORE THAN TWICE AS LONG, all other things being equal. Try it and prove for yourselves what seems to be a problem.

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Do you wear an 18, 26, 27 or 29 Corsets? We are offering the above sizes in a special line at 35 cent pair.

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We are offering a special value in Muslin at 18c yd.

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Our New Embroideries Have Arrived.

The prettiest and most saleable Embroideries that ever came from the loom are being shown and sold. You must see to appreciate the extraordinary attractiveness of this line.

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Successor to BROWN & RODDICK,

No. 29 North Front St.

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A Drop In Prices.

The old and well known firm of Braddy & Gaylord, of Wilmington's Big Racket Store, is now on the eve of dissolving copartnership. It has been very well managed and very successfully in the past eight years, and the dissolution is coming off for the purpose of opening up a branch store in New York city, where the other partner will be always on the market looking out for bargains of every kind. We now have a large stock of goods on hand that we want to turn into money at a price we have never claimed to sell goods for cash at any time up until now, but now we will sell a good many goods for less than cost for cash, only we are very anxious to raise a large amount of ready cash, and for the dollar down we will sell big values.

1 yard wide Bleaching, worth 6c, now 4½c; our Fine Sea Island Sheeting, 1 yard wide, worth 5c, now 4½c. 1 yard Sheeting, heavy and nice, worth 5c, now 4½c; 36 inch wide Blue Tricot, worth 12½c, now 8½c; 36 inch Dress Plaids, worth 25c, now 17c; our 10c Bed Ticking now 7½c. Our line of Red Flannel worth 40c, now 32c.

Our heavy Pants Jeans, worth 20c, now 14c; our line of Cotton Jeans, worth 10c, now 7c. All Dress Goods greatly reduced. Men's and Boy's Suspenders from 5c to 25c. Men's Collars for 5, 7 and 10c. Dragon Spool Cotton, worth 20c, now at 10c per dozen. Fine Envelopes, worth 5c a pack, now 3c. Splendid White Ruled Linen Finish Paper, worth 10c a quire, now 5 quires for 10c. 300 pairs of Woman's Shoes, worth from $1.00 to 2.00 a pair, in odds and ends, now to close at 50c a pair. 200 pairs Men's Shoes, in good solid stock, worth from $1 00 to 2.00, now any of this lot for 95c. A big lot of Children's Shoes put on the counter to close at a bargain, from 15c to 40c.

In our Millinery we do not stop at cost. We make big reductions. The stock is too numerous to mention, but you can buy your Hats and Trimmings at least 25 per cent. or one-quarter less than ever before.

We have a big lot of cheap Cloaks that we want to close from 50c to $3.00. If you want a Cape, Cloak or Jacket of any kind come and look at ours.

In Winter Underwear, Gent's and Ladies', we have made a big reduction. Our 50c Shirts now for 40c; our 25c goods, heavy Shirts, for 18c. Heavy Blue Flannel Overshirts at 75c a piece.

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Braddy & Gaylord, Props.

Of Wilmington's Big Racket Store.

P. S—All parties that have accounts with us, please send in at once or be ready when our collector calls.

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The Morning Star.

By WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

TUESDAY MORNING, JAN. 19, 1897

FOR WHOSE BENEFIT?

Among others who are whining for protection are some of the wool growers. We say some because there are a good many wool growers who are not bothering their heads about it, and are perfectly indifferent as to whether wool is protected or not. But the gentlemen in Ohio and some other States who raise fancy sheep, fancy wool and want to get fancy price for both, are very anxious for a large amount of protection and think it horrid that wool was put upon the free list when the Wilson tariff became a law. Of course they had a hearing at Washington by the committee which has been seeking information to guide it in building a new tariff. Their representative was Judge Lawrence, of Ohio, who in addition to being a Judge—retired we think—is also a cultivator of sheep and wool, fancy sheep and fancy wool. The Judge told the committee what he thought they ought to do in the wool question when they built their new tariff, and he was very candid in what he said, if not altogether modest in his demands.

The McKinley tariff gave the wool-growers a protection of 12 cents a pound. Judge Lawrence thinks they ought to have 15 cents worth. The price of common wool is now about 9 cents a pound. With their 15 cents a pound tariff the protected wool-growers of this country could demand 24 cents a pound for their wool without fear of foreign competition. But they do not propose to be greedy about it for when asked by a member of the committee how high they proposed to run the price he said 20 cents, two cents over double the present price. But to make the game doubly sure Judge Lawrence demands an absolutely prohibitory duty on Australian wool, the kind that is principally imported for manfacturing coarse goods, carpets, &c. With a prohibitory duty on Australian wools, and 15 cents a pound on other wools, the wool men of this country would be in it sure enough, and could fix their own prices.

When some one asked how the Government could get any revenue from wool if a 15 cent a pound tariff was put on some and a prohibitory tariff on other wools, he answered that the Government shouldn't want any revenue from wool. That's exactly what the advocates of free wool say, but they insist that the Government should forego the revenue that the people might have cheaper clothing; but the woolmen, who are represented by Judge Lawrence, want the Government to forego the revenue that they may put money in their purses. In this, however, they are not different from other beggars for protection. They are all looking out for themselves, regardless of what the benefit that accrues to them may cost the Government or the people who consume the protected products.

Judge Lawrence says they want to run wool which now brings 9 cents a pound up to 20 cents, more than double, which, of course, means that wearers of woollen garments, or users of woollen manufactures of any kind would have to pay double what they now pay for them. What for? That a small number of men in this country who are engaged in growing wool might make more money than they make now.

There may not be any profit in growing wool at 9 cents a pound on land that is worth from $50 to $100 an acre. We don't think there is. But there isn't any profit in raising cotton at 7 cents a pound on land that is worth $10 an acre, and why shouldn't the cotton-grower come in for as much protection as the wool-grower? Raising wool isn't half as laborious nor as costly as raising cotton, and there are not one-tenth as many people engaged in raising wool—that is engaged in that as an industry—as there are in raising cotton, and yet cotton is left (where it should be left), to take care of itself.

Compared with the number of farmers in the country, there are comparatively few engaged in growing wool for the market. Thousands of them keep no sheep at all. Thousands of others keep but a few and spin and weave the wool at home for their own use. Thousands of others keep a few, the wool of which they sell, but it is a small amount and the total proceeds from what each sells wouldn't buy a good suit of clothes even at present prices and wouldn't begin to do it at the price they would have to pay with the duties that Judge Lawrence would have imposed on foreign wools. As a matter of fact, there are probably not 50,000 men in the United States who are engaged exclusively in the wool-growing industry who would be materially benefitted by having this monopoly of the home wool market. That they may make more money than they do and be absolute masters of the home market, it is proposed to double the cost to the people of every woollen article they use. A proposition to heavily tax the medicine the people use, the food they eat or the fuel that keeps them warm in Winter would not be more heartless, for good clothing is as essential to comfort and health as are medicine, food and fuel. Practically it means making the 70,000,000 of people in this country pay hundreds of millions of dollars a year that a small number of men who are interested in growing wool may have a soft snap and make money out of the American people.

MINOR MENTION.

As an illustration of the arrogance of protected monopolies the gentlemen who have had the contract for making armor plate for this country afford an example. Secretary Herbert calls attention to the fact that they are charging this Government nearly twice as much per ton for plate as they charge other Governments for it, and asks Congress to consider whether it might not be economy for the Government to establish plants and make its own armor plate, unless these companies do the fair and the reasonable thing. There are two of these plants, one or both of which are controlled by the Carnegie company, which concluded it would play a little game of bluff and gave out that it would make no more contracts with the Government for plate, but would sell it the plants now in operation at a certain price, which is about twice as much as similar plants could be established for. They think they have the Government in a box and can force it either to buy these plants or to pay the price they have been getting for these plates, although they can afford to make as good if not better plates for other governments at about half the price and make a profit on them, for if they didn't make a profit on them they wouldn't make them. The manufacturers of these plates have had a soft snap and it is only by the closest watching that they are prevented from palming off on the Government defective stuff, that is not only not worth the money charged, but renders unsafe the ships it is put upon and endangers the lives of the men that man them. A good way to meet that kind of bluff would be for the Government to establish its own plate plants. It would cost some money in the beginning, but it would be a saving of money in the end, and ensure better plating for our ships.

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Senator Wolcott, who went to England to feel the pulse on the bimetallic question, has been given a big dinner in London, and the gold organs in this country take occasion to remark in this connection that outside of the big dinner this is about all that Senator Wolcott will be likely to accomplish by his visit to England. They are doubtless correct, for no one expected that he would meet with any substantial encouragement from the gentlemen who control the finances or financial policy of Great Britain. There is in Great Britain, as there is in all European countries, a strong and a growing sentiment for bimetallism, but it is not strong enough yet to make itself felt in Governmental circles, so that all that Senator Wolcott can do will be to get an expression of that sentiment, which will be without official significance or force. Great Britain may possibly as a matter of condescension consent to send delegates to this conference, if called, to hear what be said and to say what they may have to say, but in no way committed to be bound by any action that may be taken. As the monetary system now stands the English money powers are making money out of it and they will not be in a hurry to change it. Anything that may be done looking to bimetallism must be done independently of Great Britain and the Republicans who are pretending to be anxious for this international conference know this very well.

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The House Committee on Banking and Currency is now getting the benefit of the views of financiers on the currency question. These views, although they come from men whose business it is to deal in money, differ very much and sometimes very radically. As an illustration of this many of the bankers demand that the Government notes be retired, which means that the Government would have to issue bonds to raise the money to redeem them, and, of course, pay interest on the bonds, but Mr. Bradford, a Boston banker, who has been in the business for thirty years or more, who was before the Committee Saturday, declared that it would never do to retire these notes without providing for a substitute, for it would precipitate a panic upon the country. Mr. Bradford is right, and we haven't the slightest doubt that a majority of the committee are of his way of thinking on that question. The committee is not seeking counsel from any one but money lenders, on the assumption, we suppose, that no one but professional bankers knows anything about the money question, and yet it might derive some valuable information by getting the views of men identified with the great productive industries of the country, which are quite as much interested in the money question as the banks, and might possibly make some valuable suggestions.

The best way to cure disease is to drive it from the system by purifying the blood with Hood's Sarsaparilla. †

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Red Springs *Citizen*: We are pained to hear of the death of Mrs. Mary Ann McNeill, wife of Henry McNeill, near Bethel Church.

— Rockingham *Index*: Mr. Orlando Reid McRae died at his home in Robeson county last Wednesday of pneumonia. He was sick but a few days.

— Salisbury *World*: Billy Mils found yesterday a piece of gold ore that Dr. Eames pronounces as pure ore as has ever been taken out of Rowan soil. Mr. Mills refuses to tell the location of his find as he expects to get out still more of the yellow.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: Friday night between eleven and twelve o'clock in front of Evans' Chapel two negroes, Mack Blackman and Dave Smith, got into a fight, the result being that Blackman hit Smith in the head with a brick, splitting one side of his head open and knocking his right eye out. Blackman escaped and has not yet been captured. Smith is in precarious condition.

— Raleigh *Press-Visitor*: Mr. Benj. R. Hand, of Goldsboro, is the inventor of a machine to obtain butter from milk fresh from the cow, and without the necessity of separating the cream or souring the milk. The butter is secured in from two to two and a half hours, and the yield is greater than by any other process. He is also the inventor of a steel railroad tie that is said to be superior to a dozen or more that have been invented in this country.

— Charlotte *Observer*: Mr. Wm. McCall, an excellent young man of Mecklenburg county, died at his home in Clear Creek township last Wednesday night, after a brief illness with pneumonia. —— Earle McClelland, the lad who was so badly injured under a falling tree on the farm of his father, Mr. A. S. McClelland, in Crab Orchard township, died Friday. —— A letter received in the city Friday morning announced the death the day previous of Mr. S. D. H. Hamilton, at her home in Hillsboro. She was a granddaughter of the late Chief Justice Ruffin.

—Greensboro *Record*: Mr. Thos. Woodroffe, general manager of the Mt. Airy Granite Company, has a complete set of plans for the Carnegie Music Hall, a most magnificent building which Mr. Carnegie proposes to erect and present to the city of Homestead, Pa. The plans show a frontage of about 228 feet on the main front, and about the same dimensions on the sides and rear, covering the entire block. The Mt. Airy Granite Company will submit a bid for the stone work needed in this building, with a good chance for the work. —— Passengers on the noon train from Raleigh to-day say that Charley Holt's dwelling a Haw River was on fire as the cars passed that place and from appearances was totally destroyed, though they had no information except what they could see from the moving train. It is said to be a magnificent building, costing much money. —— Letters of incorporation were yesterday issued by Clerk Ragan, of the Superior Court, to the Simpson-Shields Shoe Company. The incorporators are A. D. Simpson, M. L. Shields and Cæsar Cone. The capital stock is $25,000, divided into 250 shares of $100 each. The company will go into business at once.

TWINKLINGS.

— Wouldn't you like to be a turtle?"

"Yes; he has a snap."—*New York Journal.*

— Judge—"I think I have seen you before."

Prisoner—"I have had that honor, your honor; I shaved your honor last week."

Judge—"Twenty years."—*Hartford Times.*

— Artist—I flatter myself this last picture of mine is an excellent one.

Another Artist—My dear fellow, you don't flatter yourself half as much as you flatter the picture."—*Roxbury Gazette.*

— "Once on a time" is a favorite phrase for beginning fables. And when a man has been once on a time, his wife will find that fables are pretty sure to follow.—*Somerville Journal.*

— She—Once you vowed that I was the sunshine of your life. Now you stay out night after night.

He—Er—why—I don't expect sunshine after dark.—*Dublin Freeman.*

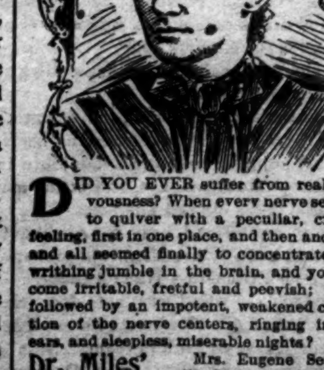
— Briggs—"I had to stand all the way coming up in the cable car, but we rushed along at racing speed."

Griggs—"How many laps to the mile?"—*N. Y. Journal.*

— Customer—Look here! All the buttons came off this coat the first time I wore it.

Cohen—Yes. So many beoples admire dot coat dot you shwell mit pride and burst dose buttons off.—*New York Tribune.*

Almost Distracted?



DID YOU EVER suffer from real nervousness? When every nerve seemed to quiver with a peculiar, creepy feeling, first in one place, and then another and all seemed finally to concentrate in a writhing jumble in the brain, and you become irritable, fretful and peevish; to be followed by an impotent, weakened condition of the nerve centers, ringing in the ears, and sleepless, miserable nights?

Dr. Miles' Nervine Restores Health...... Mrs. Eugene Searles, 110 Simonton St., Elkhart, Ind., says: "Nervous troubles had made me nearly insane and physicians were unable to help me. My memory was almost gone and every little thing worried me until I was almost distracted. I really feared I was becoming a maniac. I imagined all sorts of evil things and would cry over nothing. I commenced taking Dr. Miles' Restorative Nervine and four bottles of this wonderful remedy completely cured me, and I am as well now as I ever was."

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No morphine or opium in Dr. Miles' PAIN PILLS. Cure All Pain. "One cent a dose." For sale by all Druggists.

June 15 ly ... Change.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Has the increased activity of construction work on the Panama canal anything to do with that arbitration treaty? Or with the possibility of our soon buying Cuba or St. Thomas—*Washington Times, Dem.*

—— Mr. Hanna has no objection to the gentlemen who have assembled at Indianapolis under the impression that they are actually doing something with the financial question. Mr. Hanna is not the man to make trouble on a playground.—*Washington Post, Ind.*

—— Once we met at the Indian Springs a gentleman who owned a celebrated cure all patent medicine. He had apparently more faith in sulphur water than in his nostrum. Now another prominent cure-all patent medicine stockholder has been ordered to Florida for his health.—*Augusta Chronicle, Dem.*

—— The railroads will carry a bushel of wheat or a barrel of flour a thousand miles for a less charge than the cost of wagon transportation for five miles. The farmers would be, therefore, as much or more benefitted by good roads cutting down the cost of transportation which they manage for themselves as by reductions in the cost of transportation, which they are obliged to purchase from others.—*Phil. Record, Dem.*

QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

Rev. R. C. Beaman, recently appointed by the North Carolina Annual Conference of the M. E. Church, South, Presiding Elder of the Wilmington District, has made his appointments for the first round, as follows:

Scott's Hill circuit, at Scott's Hill, January 23, 24.

Wilmington, at Market Street, January 31.

Wilmington, Bladen Street (night), January 31.

Burgaw circuit, at Rocky Point, February 6, 7.

Clinton circuit, at Keeners, February 13, 14.

Jacksonville and Richlands, at Jacksonville, February 20, 21.

Elizabeth circuit, at Elizabethtown, February 27, 28.

Kenansville circuit, at Kenansville, March 6, 7.

Onslow circuit, at Queen's Creek, March 13, 14.

Brunswick circuit, at Concord, March 20, 21.

Columbus circuit, Evergreen, March 27, 28.

Whiteville and Fair Bluff, Whiteville (night), March 28.

Waccamaw circuit, Shiloh, March 30.

Magnolia circuit, Magnolia, April 3, 4.

Bladen circuit, at Bethlehem, April 10, 11.

Parliamentary Screamers.

Talking on another occasion with Wagener about public opinion, the chancellor said: "You doubtless remember the saying of Napoleon I that three shrieking women will make more noise than a thousand silent men. It is therefore very absurd of us to attach so much importance to the shrieking women of public opinion. True public opinion is that which is the outcome of certain political, religious and social convictions, of a very simply kind, deep down in the national life, and to recognize and give effect to this is the task of the true statesman. I might call it the undercurrent of public opinion. Hence it is that I have never reckoned with our parliamentary screamers, and consequently I have always had the satisfaction of having enlisted on my side the public opinion by which I set any store. The national assembly in St. Paul's, Frankfort, and the Union parliament at Erfurt were both in point of fact composed of excellent speakers, and yet what remains of them now? 'Swallowed up and forgotten; such is the singer's curse.' "—Bismarck's Table Talk.

Playing With Words.

Nearly everything is subject to anger. Sometimes even a river will foam at the mouth.

There are no corns on the foot of a mountain.

No bracelet is ever found on an arm of the sea.

Even the canalboat has a stern way of doing things.

Roses are books within whose leaves is found the honey of nature's thought.

Don't stalk through life. Even the cabbage does that.

Don't brag about your beard. Even such a common thing as barley has a beard.

Nature and humanity are kin. Even some flower gardens have tulips.

Some farmers are smaller potatoes than those they raise.—Florida Times-Union.

Etiquette In Science.

In a letter to Nature Professor Ramsay, the well known chemist, raises an interest question of etiquette for men of science. He points out that when a discovery in science is published other investigators make a "rush" to the subject and thus in a manner forestall further discoveries by the original investigator. Professor Ramsay seems to think that such auxiliaries should recognize the first claim of the leader and virtually ask his permission before they undertake their researches, in case he may intend to make a similar investigation, and the professor also thinks that unless something of the kind is done an original discoverer will keep his discovery to himself until he has thrashed it out.

The Diminishing Alligator.

The alligator is being reduced in size steadily. Tourists used to hear about alligators 21 feet in length. A gentleman who is a naturalist as well as a sportsman is proud of having killed a 'gator measuring 13 feet 9 inches, and he believes a story about another nearly 15 feet long, but he does not expect that this generation will ever see an alligator over 16 feet in length. This retrocession from the pictures in the geography of childhood is due to no fault of the alligator, but to the presence of unimaginative northerners. The 'gators are as big as they ever were; it is only the stories that have grown smaller.

The Mikado.

The mikado is the religious head of the Japanese as well as their ruler. His place is hereditary, and it has been filled by members of his family for more than 2,500 years. His is incomparably the most ancient lineage known. The mikado is the one hundred and twenty-second of the line. The founder of it, whose hope of posterity in his wildest dreams could not have equaled the result, was contemporary with Nebuchadnezzar, 660 B. C. Of the seven great religions enumerated by Max Muller as possessing Bibles, the mikado's family is older than five.

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THE THREE RAVENS.

It is night after a day of battle. All nature is yet trembling from the clash of the armies. The hot breath from the cannons hangs over the country in heavy red clouds. The air is full of eddies, like a sea after a storm. It quivers from the terrible commotion of the day. The snow covered earth, disturbed in her wintry repose, is beaten into hollows by the tracks of gun carriages, the stamping of desperate hoofs and the falling men and horses. Sinister work! In the furrows of snow the conflict has sown the dead. The gray coats are dishevelled and wrinkled from the agonized writhings of their wearers. Arms rise out of heaped up trenches and feet stick out straight and rigid as if pushing the earth before them.

With face uncovered, pale under the leaden sky, a young soldier is lying. His hands are black with powder and his clothes are pierced with bullet holes. He was in the very heart of the battle, under full fire, and his comrades, seeing him fall, believe him to be dead. But he still lives. He calls with all his remaining strength, but the only response is moans and the gurgle of the death rattle. At last, numb with cold and pain, exhausted by the whistling of grape and canister, the flashing of cannons and all the scenes of a bloody contest and overcome by the deep quiet of nature, he is on the point of giving up and abandoning himself to sleep or to death.

Suddenly on the faroff horizon he sees through his half open eyes three black specks come out of the north and gradually grow larger as they approach. They have wings—dark wings that bear them on. Soon they stop above his head, and he sees three ravens suspended in the white air, motionless with tranquility of beasts of prey on the lookout for victims, while the atmosphere is yet vibrating from the shock of battle. The almost imperceptible beating of the great wings as the birds poise in midair seems like the fluttering of three flags of war, each one bearing as its emblem a hovering raven.

"Have they come for me?" he asked himself, faint with terror.

He shudders as he watches the three ravens descend slowly and perch on a hillock but a short distance from him. They are indeed great birds—fat, glossy and well fed. Not a feather is missing from their sleek plumage. Moreover, these birds live in the very midst of carnage. They not only live in it, but they even thrive on it and look on from afar—from great heights beyond the reach of bullets—descending only when the regiments are gone and the dead and dying meet on the same dreadful plane.

In truth, these birds have an air of importance. They salute one another with their beaks, they march to and fro, as if on dress parade, leaving the prints of their pointed claws on the reddened snow. Then, when they have acted the part of fops to perfection, they begin to croak softly, very softly, without taking their eyes from the dying man.

"Cousins," says one of them, "I have brought you hither for that little soldier of France who is lying there before you. He was a proud little soldier, animated by unusual courage, but possessing neither prudence nor reflection. See his riddled coat and consider how many balls were necessary to bring him low. Cousins, it is fine prey, and, if you are willing, we will partake. But we must wait yet a little before we go to him. Though his arms are bruised and his hands seem powerless, he would be an object to be feared if he should revive."

The speaker is the largest of the party. The two others, as they listen, keep out of the reach of his ferocious, hooked beak. He continues:

"Ah, we shall soon partake! I will eat his heart. It was a warm, valiant heart and will rejuvenate mine."

Does the little soldier hear what they are saying? Is it true, then, that his heart no longer beats?

The second raven takes up the sentence:

"I will eat his eyes. French eyes are large and clear and beaming with life."

Quick, open your eyes, little soldier, and cry out loudly. Though you are weak from loss of blood, a little still remains in your veins.

Alas! Truly do they say that he is dead, and when, their conference ended, the three birds approach him, with evil eye and ravenous beak and drooping wings, not a quiver passes through his body. Poor little soldier of France! They are going to dismember him. They will begin with the buttons on his coat, for these birds of plunder gather up everything that glistens—even blood. Softly the three birds draw near, and the oldest of them ventures a peck at his finger. Then the soldier rouses; his whole frame starts.

"He is not dead! He is not dead!" cry the cowardly birds, retreating to their hillock.

Ah, no. The little soldier of France is not dead. He raises his head. Indignation has brought back something of the old spirit. His eyes grow bright, his nostrils dilate. The air seems less heavy and he breathes more freely. A ray of the pale red winter sun creeps across the torn and furrowed earth. As he gazes in admiration at the melancholy sunset, gradually fading into the glimmer of twilight, suddenly under the warmth of his extended hand the slow melting snow exposes a green point—a tiny blade of wheat.

Miracle of life! The dying man feels as if he were born again. Resting his hands on the soil of his fatherland, he tries to sit up. From afar the three birds watching him prepare for flight, and when they see him standing upright at last, searching with trembling step for his abandoned arms, they slowly rise from their hillock and soar away toward the north, already dark with night. From the sky echoes back the beating of their terrible wings and the snapping of their strong beaks. It is a hurried, tumultuous flight of mingled fear and rage. One reads of bandits who, having missed their victims, fight among themselves as they flee.—Translated from the French of Alphonse Daudet for New York Press.

Surprising Facts About Cattle.

In the year 1710 the weight of fat cattle in the London market averaged only 370 pounds. This, too, at the average age of 5 years, prior to which time they were not considered as being marketable. In 1725 this average weight has increased to nearly 482 pounds. In 1830, 105 years later, the average weight of cattle sold on the London market was 650, almost twice what it was in 1710, and at that time the average age at which such beasts were sold was only 4 years, as against 5 years at the earlier date.

We have no statistics which show exactly the average weight of the fat cattle of today, but believe that we are not far from the truth when we say that it is at least twice what it was in 1830 and upward of four times greater than it was in 1710.—St. Louis Republic.

His Lucid Explanation.

The coroner of a rural town in Georgia was examining witnesses in a case of sudden death.

"Did you ever hear the deceased complain of any ailment?" he asked of one.

"The who, suh?"

"The deceased."

The old fellow scratched his head, looked thoughtful, then called his wife, daughter and son-in-law aside and held a whispered conversation. Then he faced the coroner again.

"I never knowed no 'decease,' suh," he said, " 'ceptin you means dem folks what done cease ter plant cotton?"

"The 'deceased' is the man lying dead there," explained the coroner.

"Oh," exclaimed the witness, "ef you means de dead man, I'm right 'long wid you! En now, ef I don't disremember, I did heah dat he had rattlin er de brain!"

"Rattling of the brain?"

"Yes, suh."

"And what's that?"

"Well, suh, hit tain't 'zac'ly a misery er de stummick, but hit ain't fur frum it, en hits des 'bout ez painful ez flintin at de heart, or ketchin er de j'ints, or settlin er de bones, en, ef I makes no mistakes, hit ain't so powerful fur frum ringin in de yea's en twitchin er de skull, en dat's all I knows 'bout it!"—Chicago Times-Herald.

Wool Gathering.

"For one's wits to go wool gathering" is an allusion to a pitiful industry sometimes seen in older countries. In parts of France, Germany and Spain very old people are sometimes employed in gathering wool from bushes in sheep pastures where it has been plucked from the fleeces as the animals pass too close to the branches.

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Smoking Tobacco gives the consumers the very best tobacco—two ounces for ten cents. It is made for that purpose, and is winning its way to public favor. It is indeed a winner.

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Smoking Tobacco should be kept by all first-class dealers, who wish to give their customers the best smoke possible, 2 ounces for 10 cents. Keep calling for it until you get it and take nothing else in place of it.

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Smoking Tobacco is pronounced by good judges to be the very best tobacco, and why should you not enjoy the best smoke? especially when you get 2 ounces and a cigarette book for 10 cents.

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Smoking Tobacco is just what you want for "pipe" and hand-made cigarette smoking—and as you smoke it and watch the delicate blue rings float in the air, and realize the fragrant, aromatic flavor, you will, no doubt, be ready to exclaim long live "Pick Leaf!" Don't stop until you get a package. jan 19 1m

— O'Hara—"She was a good wife to me, poor woman. Many's the word of good advice she gave me."

McGoogan—"Thrue for yez, an' many's the time Oi've heard her advizin' yez when Oi lived in the house beyant, a mile up the road."—*London Figaro.*

Electric Bitters.

Electric Bitters is a medicine for any season, but perhaps more generally needed, when the languid, exhausted feeling prevails, when the liver is torpid and sluggish and the need of a tonic and alterative is felt. A prompt use of this medicine has often averted long and perhaps fatal bilious fevers. No medicine will act more surely in counteracting and freeing the system from the malarial poison. Headache, Indigestion, Constipation, Dizziness yield to Electric Bitters. 50c. and $1.00 per bottle at R. R. BELLAMY's Drug Store. †

Wholesale Prices Current.

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted.

BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		@	6
Standard		@	6¾
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ₩ ℔	12	@	14
Sides ₩ ℔	6	@	7
Shoulders ₩ ℔	6	@	6¾
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ₩ ℔	4½	@	4¾
Shoulders ₩ ℔		@	4½
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 00	@	1 10
New New York, each	1 35	@	1 40
New City, each		@	1 40
BEESWAX ₩ ℔	23	@	24
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ₩ M	6 50	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ₩ ℔	15	@	
Northern	23	@	
CORN MEAL—			
Per Bushel, in sacks	40	@	42½
Virginia Meal	40	@	42½
COTTON TIES—₩ bundle		@	1 00
CANDLES—₩ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	9	@	10
CHEESE ₩ ℔—			
Northern Factory	10	@	11
Dairy, Cream	11	@	12
State		@	10
COFFEE—₩ ℔—			
Laguyra	20	@	
Rio	10	@	16
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ₩ yard		@	5¾
Yarns, ₩ bunch	18	@	20
EGGS—₩ dozen		@	13
FISH—			
Mackerel, No 1, ₩ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No 1, ₩ half-barrel	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No 2, ₩ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No 2, ₩ half-barrel	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No 3, ₩ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ₩ barrel	3 00	@	3 00
Mullets, ₩ pork barrel	5 75	@	6 50
N. C. Roe Herring, ₩ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ₩ ℔	5	@	10
" Extra	3 35	@	3 50
FLOUR—₩ barrel—			
Low grade		@	3 75
Choice		@	4 50
Straight	5 00	@	5 25
First Patent	5 50	@	5 75
GLUE—₩ ℔—	7½	@	8½
GRAIN—₩ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bags—White	42½	@	45
Corn, cargo, in bulk—White	40	@	42½
Corn, cargo, in bags—White	40	@	42½
Oats, from store	30	@	32½
Oats, Rust Proof	40	@	45
Cow Peas	45	@	50
HIDES, ₩ ℔—			
Green		@	16
Dry		@	8
HAY, ₩ 100 ℔s—			
Eastern		@	1 05
Western		@	90
North River		@	85
HOOP IRON, ₩ ℔	2	@	2½
LARD, ₩ ℔—			
Northern	5½	@	6¼
North Carolina	6	@	10
LIME ₩ barrel		@	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed), ₩ M feet—			
Ship Stuff resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough-edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, common	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES, ₩ gallon—			
New Crop Cuba, in hhds		@	22
" " in bbls		@	23
Porto Rico, in hhds	27	@	29
" in bbls		@	30
Sugar-House, in hhds	12	@	14
" in bbls	14	@	15
Syrup, in bbls	13	@	
NAILS, ₩ keg, Cut 60d basis		@	2 00
PORK, ₩ barrel—			
City Mess	9 00	@	9 25
Rump		@	9 75
Prime		@	8 75
ROPE, ₩ ℔	10	@	22
SALT, ₩ sack Alum		@	75
Liverpool		@	65
Lisbon		@	
American		@	65
On 125 ℔ Sacks	40	@	45
SHINGLES, 7-inch, ₩ M	5 00	@	6 50
Common	1 50	@	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50	@	3 50
SUGAR, ₩ ℔—Standard Granu'd		@	4¾
Standard A		@	[illegible]
White Ex. C		@	[illegible]
Extra C, Golden	4	@	[illegible]
C. Yellow		@	[illegible]
SOAP, ₩ ℔—Northern	3½	@	4
STAVES, ₩ M—W. O. barrel	8 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ₩ M feet—Shipping		@	9 00
Mill, Prime		@	7 00
Mill, Fair	6 50	@	4 50
Common Mill	4 00	@	3 50
Inferior to Ordinary		@	3 00
TALLOW, ₩ ℔	4	@	
WHISKEY, ₩ gallon—Northern	1 00	@	2 00
North Carolina	1 00	@	2 00

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, January 18.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 25½ cents per gallon for machine-made casks, and 25 cents for country casks.

ROSIN.—Market firm at $1 45 per bbl for Strained and $1 50 for Good Strained.

TAR.—Market steady at 90 cents per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Firm. Hard 1.30, Soft 1.80 per barrel.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine 29½@29c; rosin, strained, $1 35; good strained $1 40; tar $0 95; crude turpentine $1 50, 1 90.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	99
Rosin	764
Tar	318
Crude Turpentine	12

COTTON

Market steady on a basis of 6⅝c for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	4½	cts ₩ ℔
Good Ordinary	5⅜	" "
Low Middling	6¼	" "
Middling	6⅝	" "
Good Middling	6 15-16	" "

Same day last year, middling 7⅝c.

Receipts—715 bales; same day last year 000.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 40@50c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 55c; Fancy, 60@65c. Virginia—Extra Prime, 60@65c; Fancy, 65@70c.

CORN—Firm; 38 to 40 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—65@70 cents per bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; Hams, 8 to 11½c per pound; Shoulders, 6 to 7c; Sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1.60 to 2.25; six inch, $2.50 to 3.50; seven inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.00 to 7.50 per M.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, January 18—Evening.—Money on call was easy at 1½@2 per cent; last loan at 1½ per cent, closing offered at 1½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3@3½ per cent. Sterling exchange was easier, with actual business in bankers bills 485@485½ for sixty days; 487½@487¾ for demand. Commercial bills 483½@484½. Government bonds firm; United States coupon fours 111½; United States twos 95½; State bonds dull; North Carolina fours 100; North Carolina sixes 123; Railroad bonds active and strong.

Silver at the Stock Exchange to day was quiet.

COMMERCIAL.

NEW YORK, January 18—Evening.—Cotton quiet; middling 7 3 16c.

Cotton futures—market closed steady; January 6 90, February 6 91, March 6 98 April 7 04, May 7 11, June 7 16 July 7 19, August 7 20, September 6 96, October 6 85, November 6 85. Sales 129,000 bales.

Cotton—net receipts —— bales; gross 4,009 bales; exports to Great Britain 3,249 bales; to France 820 bales; to the Continent 1,208 bales; forwarded 2,032 bales; sales 1,535 bales; sales to spinners 635 bales; stock 188 991 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 33 557 bales; exports to Great Britain 16,959 bales; to France 6,820 bales; to the Continent 15 486 bales; stock 1,690,633 bales.

Total so far this week—Net receipts 58 732 bales; exports to Great Britain 40,759 bales; to France 6 820 bales; to the Continent 25,163 bales.

Total since September 1—Net receipts 5,289,170 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,159,762 bales; exports to France 469 872 bales; exports to the Continent 1,249,632 bales; to the Channel 5 431 bales.

Flour—market was dull but steady; winter wheat, low grades $2 30@3 35; fair to fancy $3 50@4 75; do. patents $4 95@5 15; Minnesota clear $3 50@4 00; patents $4 35@5 15; low extra $2 30@3 35, Southern flour was quiet and steady; common to fair extra $3 30@3 65; good to choice $3 75@4 05. Wheat—spot dull and easier; free on board 97⅝c; ungraded red 78@98c; options opened firm at ⅛@¼c advance; declined ⅛@1c, rallied ⅛c and closed steady at ⅛@⅜c below Saturday; No. 2 red January 89⅜c; March 90⅜c; May 86⅝c; July 83⅜c. Corn—spot dull weaker; No. 2 28⅜c at elevator and 29⅜c afloat; options were more active and weak. Oats—spot dull; mixed firm; options quiet and easier; January closed at 22c; February closed at 22⅛c; May 22⅝@22⅝c, closing at 22⅝c; spot prices—No. 2, 22½c; No. 2 white 24½c; mixed Western 22@24c. Lard quiet and firm; Western steam closed at $4 25 asked; city $3 85; January $4 20; refined lard was dull; Continent $4 60; South America $4 80; compound $4 25@4 50. Pork was firm; new mess $8 50 @9 00. Butter—demand moderate; fancy firm; State dairy 10@15½c; do. creamery 13@19c; Western creamery —c. Elgins 20@20½c. Eggs were steady; State and Pennsylvania 16@16½c; ice house 13½@13½c; Western fresh 16c; do. per case $1 75 @3 00; Southern 14½@14½c; limed 13@13½c. Cotton seed oil dull but steady; crude 20@20½c; yellow prime 23½c asked. Petroleum dull; refined New $6 20; Philadelphia $6 15; do. in bulk $3 65@3 70. Rice firm and fairly active; domestic, fair to extra 3⅜@6c; Japan 4½@4⅝c. Molasses quiet and easy; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice new 22@32c. Peanuts were quiet; fancy hand-picked 3⅜@4c. Coffee quiet and and unchanged to 5 points down; March $9 50; May $9 55@9 60; September $9 65 @9 70; December $9 70@9 75; spot Rio dull and nominal; No. 7 $10 00. Sugar—raw dull but steady; fair refining 2 13 16c; refined quiet and steady; off A 3⅞@4 1-16c; standard A 4⅜c; cut-loaf and crushed 5c; granulated 4⅜c.

CHICAGO, Jan. 18.—Cash quotations: Flour was quiet and steady; rye flour $2 40@2 45 in wood; others unchanged. Wheat—No. 2 spring 77⅜@78⅜c; No. 2 red 87⅜@89⅜c. Corn—No 2 22⅜@22⅝c. Oats—No. 2 16¼c. Mess pork $7 90 @7 95. Lard, $3 97½@4 00. Short rib sides, loose, $4 02½@4 27½. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $4 25@4 50. Short clear sides, boxed, $4 12½@4 25. Whiskey $1 18.

The leading futures ranged as follows, opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—January 78⅜, 78⅜, 77⅜, 77⅜c. May 80⅞@81¼, 81⅜, 80½, 80⅝c; July 76⅜@76⅝, 76⅜, 76, 76c. Corn—January 22⅜ 22⅜, 22 22⅛c; May 24⅜@24⅞, 24⅜@24⅞, 24⅛, 24⅛@24⅞c; July 25⅜, 25⅜@25⅜, 25⅜, 25⅜c. Oats—January 16⅜, 16⅜, 15⅞, 16⅜; May 18⅜, 18⅜, 18⅛, 18⅛@18⅜c; July 19⅜, 19⅜, 18⅞, 18⅞. Pork—January $7 87½, 7 87½, 7 87½, 7 87½; May $8 07½, 8 12½, 8 02½, 8 07½. Lard—January $3 97½, 3 97½, 3 97½, 3 97½; May $4 12½, 4 12½, 4 10, 4 12½. Short ribs—January $4 12½, 4 20, 4 12½, 4 12½; May $4 15, 4 20, 4 15, 4 17½.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 18.—Flour dull; Western superfine $2 75@3 20; do extra $3 40@4 05, do family $4 40@4 75; winter wheat patents $4 90@5 15; do spring preferred $4 60@4 65; do straight $4 40@4 60. Wheat unsettled and easy; spot 91½c bid; May 87⅜@88⅛c; Southern by sample 92@98c; do on grade 88⅜@91⅜c. Corn weak; spot and January 26⅛@26⅜c; February 26⅜@26⅝c; March 26⅞@27c; April 27⅜@27⅝c, Steamer mixed 24⅜@24⅝c; Southern white 23⅜@27⅜c; do yellow 22@27c. Oats quiet and steady; No. 2 white 24@25c; No. 2 mixed 20@21c.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

January 18.—Galveston, quiet at 7, net receipts 6,296 bales; Norfolk, nominal at 6⅞, net receipts 888 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 7⅛, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 7⅛, net receipts 1,469 bales, Wilmington, steady at 6⅝, receipts 715 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 7 7-16c, net receipts 39 bales; Savannah, quiet at 6⅝, net receipts 8,887 bales; New Orleans, quiet at 6 15-16, net receipts 10,507 bales; Mobile, quiet at 6 15-16, net receipts 1 748 bales; Memphis, quiet at 6⅝, net receipts 2199 bales; Augusta, steady at 7, net receipts 402 bales; Charleston, firm at 6⅝, net receipts 1,804 bales.

FOREIGN MARKETS

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 18.—12.30 P. M.—Cotton, demand fair and prices easier. American middling 3 31 32d. Sales 10,000 bales, of which 9,100 were American; speculation and export 500. Receipts 38,000 bales, of which 33 000 were American. Futures opened quiet and demand moderate. American middling (l m c) January 3 57-64d; January and February 3 56 64d; February and March 3 57 64@3 56-64d; March and April 3 57 64@3 56-64d, April and May 3 57 64d; May and June 3 57 64d. June and July 3 58-64d; July and August 3 58 64d; August and September 3 57-64d; October and November 3 48-64@3 47 64. Futures quiet.

Tenders at to-day's clearings 100 bales new docket and —— bales old docket.

12.45 P. M.—American spot grades 1 32d lower. American middling fair 4⅜d; good middling 4 1-16d; middling 3 15 16d; low middling 3 13 16d; good ordinary 3 11-16d; ordinary 3⅜d.

4 P. M.—American middling (l m c) January 3 55 64@3 56 64d: January and February 3 55 64d buyer; February and March 3 55-64d buyer; March and April 3 55-64d buyer; April and May 3 55 64@3 56 64d buyer; May and June 3 56 64@3 57-64d buyer; June and July 3 56 64@3 57-64d buyer; July and August 3 57 64 @3 58 64d seller; August and September 3 55 64@ 3 56 64d buyer; September and October 3 50-64@3 51 64d seller; October and November (unofficial) 3 46-64@3 47 64d value.

MARINE.

ARRIVED.

Steamer E A Hawes, Ward, Clear Run, Jas Madden.

Steamer Driver, Robinson, Fayetteville, R R Love.

Nor stmr Antonio Zambrana, 855 tons, Fagerlie, New York, Jas H Chadbourn & Co.

Schr Ella G Ells, 230 tons, Cushman, Point a Pitre, Gaudaloupe, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

CLEARED.

Steamer E A Hawes, Ward, Clear Run, Jas Madden.

Steamer Driver, Robinson, Fayetteville, R R Love.

Schr Lucia Porter, Farrow, Port Spain, Trinidad, Geo Harriss, Son & Co; cargo by E Kidder's Son.

EXPORTS.

COASTWISE.

NEW YORK—Stmr Croatan—1,320 bales cotton, 16 bbls tar, 648 do spirits turpentine, 80 do pitch, 15 do crude turpentine, 3,000 feet lumber.

FOREIGN.

PORT SPAIN—Schr Lucia Porter—280,407 feet lumber.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 19, 1897.

SCHOONERS.

William Hall, 136 tons, Knowlton, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

D J Sawyer, 288 tons, Kelly, ——.

R A Snow, 165 tons, Pillsbury, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Adelia T Carleton, 268 tons, Wall, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

W C Wickham, 316 tons, Evan, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Ida C Schoolcraft, 306 tons, Booye, Geo Harriss Son & Co.

Morancy, 160 tons, Torrey, J T Riley & Co.

STEAMSHIPS.

Crathorne (Br), 1,695 tons, Lewis, Alex Sprunt & Son.

BARQUES.

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THE WORLD'S WAY.

Three men rode out to the wide, wide world.
Sing ho, sing hey, for the merry, merry way!
And the first joined the war, where the banner was furled.
Sing hey, sing ho, where the skulls lie low!

And the second had a post in the court of a king.
Sing ho, sing hey, for the bribe and its pay!
But he crowed too high, for the throne he tried to sing;
Sing hey, sing ho, where the gallows winds blow!

And the third, he married a fine bonny wife.
Sing ho, sing hey, for the merry marriage day!
For she spent his money and led him such a life.
Sing hey, sing ho; to the funeral go!

Such were the ways of these three merry men.
Sing ho, sing hey, at the world's sweet way!
Some trifling pleasure, a hope, and then—
Sing hey, sing ho, for the grave below!

—Temple Bar.

MYSTERY OF ZENDER.

The town was full of rumors about David Zender. A week before Jim Martin, who brought the mail from Rawlinsville, had passed Zender's house at 1 o'clock in the morning and had heard the sound of hammering. Two nights later Samuel Parker, who lived some miles out in the country, had seen Zender sitting on the fence about midnight. Zender didn't speak as Parker drove by, although the two were well acquainted. Parker was sure it was Dave, for the door of the house was ajar and the flare of the light shone full on his face. When he turned the bend, he saw Zender still sitting motionless and silent in the moonlight.

An hour later Jerry Higman passed that way for a doctor to attend Charley, his boy, who had the scarlet fever, and he remembered seeing Zender in the same position. He thought it was singular, but hadn't mentioned it to any one until he heard that the people in town were beginning to talk.

Zender hadn't been for his mail in six days, and no one had seen him around town in that time.

His house was in a lonesome part of the Widow Booth's lane, which branched off from the gravel road some four or five miles southeast of town. It was an unfrequented spot, and few people ever passed there even in the daytime. Big locust trees surrounded it, and a short way on was the creek and the old mill which used to belong to the Sellerses. A mile back was Brubaker's swamp, where Jean Lapel's crazy wife had drowned herself years before.

Nelse Woodberry and Bill Freiback were hunting in the meadow back of Zender's house the day after Parker and Higman had seen Dave, and they recalled that the place looked quiet. They thought it funny that Zender wasn't around. His buggy stood out in the barnyard all morning, though it rained about 10. It was strange that it hadn't been put in the shed. They remembered seeing the back door open and naturally thought he must be at home.

Two days after that Peter Lundberg, who lives on the bottoms farm across the creek, went by the house about 10:30 at night. He noticed it particularly, for he had been down to the postoffice, where nearly everybody was talking about Zender. The buggy still stood outside the shed, and he said he thought that the back door was still open, but he couldn't say positively. He drove by rather briskly, as there was a queer look about the place.

Zender's dog stood out in the road, in the moonlight, like a stone statue. It never stirred as he whipped past.

He spoke to his wife about the circumstance, and later on in the night, or perhaps early in the morning, they heard a dog howling across the branch up the Widow Booth's lane, and, as nearly as he could calculate, about at Zender's house. He wasn't certain about whose dog it was, for he had never heard Zender's dog howl before. Early the next morning he came to town.

Parker was there, and Higman, who had seen Zender on the fence that night, and both the Sellers and Widow Booth's son and some half a dozen others from over in the creek neighborhood.

There was something up.

They had been coming in since 6 o'clock. Lundberg didn't pass the house, but came in by the dirt road, reaching the gravel at the tollgate. He didn't like the idea of that dog howling there the night before. Parker had passed Zender's without stopping.

The buggy, he said, was still out in the barnyard. Higman staid in town all night with Henry Sears, his brother-in-law.

About half-past 7 or a quarter of 8 Bill Freiback came riding up, his horse sweating and he looking as pale as a ghost. He said that Zender's dog had come to his house early that morning and had acted funny and wouldn't eat anything, but whined and howled fearfully. He took his wife over to a neighbor's and started for town through the meadow. Zender's back door was still open, and, as Parker had already said, the buggy was out in the yard.

John Graves, the postmaster and storekeeper, said somebody ought to go over and see if anything was wrong.

All the women in town were frightened nearly to death, and the children were afraid to go out to the woodpile after dark since folks had been talking about Zender.

But the majority didn't care to go, thinking about the back door being open that long, and the buggy being left out in the rain, and the dog howling, and one thing and another.

Higman said he had to look after his sick boy and couldn't see how he'd find time to go for a couple of days, at least. He agreed, however, that it should be looked into.

John Graves wished he could leave the store long enough to inquire into it. His idea was that Zender had been murdered. The back door being open pointed to that theory, and besides the dog wouldn't howl unless there was somebody dead.

But Parker had a different notion.

He thought that Zender might be sick out there all alone, though he admitted the whole thing looked peculiar. There was no danger in finding out for themselves, and he for one would be willing to investigate.

There was considerable discussion, but at last they all agreed to go. Higman said that, as his boy was mending the day before, he reckoned he'd go along, and Graves finally decided to leave his little girl to 'tend the store.

This was in the morning about 8 o'clock. When Graves got his wagon out, there were a dozen that were ready to make the venture.

It was as beautiful a morning as could be imagined. The sun was shining bright and warm. The blackberry bushes along the gravel road were sparkling and dewy, and the fields were full of meadow larks. Everything along the pike seemed cheerful and happy.

When they reached High Gap, they could look over to the bottoms, where the cluster of locust trees half buried the little frame house of David Zender.

As the wagon turned down the Widow Booth's lane everything seemed to change and become Sundaylike and solemn. The birds sang more softly, it seemed.

In Zender's yard the locusts waved back and forth, the blackbirds in the branches chattered and sang, and the flowers that grew near the front gate were sweet smelling and pretty. But how still and quiet it was! It appeared like early Sunday morning before any one was astir.

The buggy was in the barnyard, and out in the garden was a hoe, left sticking upright in a hill. The dirt was dry and hadn't been turned down for some days, and the dew had rusted the hoe a bit. Down a little farther a plow stood in a furrow. It, too, was red with rust.

When the gate was opened, the hinges creaked loud and raspy.

The men walked around the house.

Behind it they found Zender's dog, crouching under the "sparrow grass" bushes, whining and sniffling. He would not move when they called to him.

Near the back door, which stood open, were Zender's rubber boots, half filled with water. He wore them the last time he came to town, Graves said.

They hadn't been used since the rain three days before, for the dew couldn't fill a pair of rubber boots. The smokehouse was open and a saw leaned against the door.

The house itself looked natural enough. The muslin curtains in the window flapped lazily in the warm spring air.

There was some one plowing down near the creek, and the sound of his voice as he shouted to the horses came faintly over the fresh, moist fields.

This was about 9 o'clock.

As Parker stepped into the kitchen a couple of sparrows flew out of the window, and his steps echoed and sounded loud and hollow through the rooms.

Zender's house was a single story one, with a kitchen and front room and two bedrooms. From the kitchen there was a ladder leading to the garret.

The men crowded close to Parker and gazed around with frightened looks. When they spoke, it was in whispers. It seemed so unnatural to see everything so still.

From the "sparrow grass" bushes came the sound of Zender's dog whining. It was enough to frighten any man.

To the left of the kitchen was a small bedroom. It was empty, and the bed was made. The front room was in order. In the center stood the little table with a Bible on it, as in all county parlors.

There was a picture of Zender on the wall and one of his wife, who had died the winter before. There was also a little one of his boy, who died two years ago of scarlet fever. They set a deal of store by the little boy, Zender and his wife did, and there were some peacock feathers crossed over the picture, just as Mrs. Zender had put them there before she died. Higman remarked them. Peacock feathers were the unluckiest things in the world to have in a house.

The window at the front of the room had diamond shaped panes of red and white glass, and a ray of light coming through a red pane fell on Zender's portrait. Higman shuddered as he noticed it.

The "spare" room door, which opened into the parlor, was closed. If anything was wrong, that room would tell the story. Through a crack in the door came a damp and heavy smell and the hum and buzzing of flies.

Parker tried the latch and found it fastened. He pushed hard, and the lock fell on the inside with a jangling crash that rang through the house for minutes.

Higman was breathing hard. The hinges creaked when the door swung open.

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Zender lay on the bed. His face was peaceful, as if he had died in his sleep.—Chicago Record.

And All Was Well.

They met by chance on Michigan avenue—a big man and a little man—and accidentally bumped into each other. Shaking his fist at the big man, he shouted:

"You did that on purpose!"

"No, I didn't."

"I say you did! Will you fight me right here and now?"

"I am no fighter."

"Of course not! You are afraid to tackle me!"

"No, I'm not; but I'll bide my time. I can wait."

"Going to hit me with a brickbat some dark night, are you?"

"No, sir. I shall take a manly revenge."

"Have me arrested, eh?"

"No, sir. I am going to California. When I get there, I shall box up a stone weighing about 20 pounds and send it to you by express C. O. D. It will cost you about $14 to pay the charges."

"But I won't receive it."

"Oh, yes, you will. Curiosity to know what is in the box will be too strong for you. You'll take it quick enough, and my revenge will be complete."

"See here, old fellow," remarked the little man, after a moment's thought, "I was too fast. I have wronged you, and I beg your pardon. Let's shake and make up."

And then they shook, and then all was well.—Detroit Free Press.

Engraving the Motto.

Very few inscriptions are available for engraving on wedding rings, lockets, bracelets, etc., writes Mrs. Garrett Webster in The Ladies' Home Journal, as the space for engraving is so limited. For this reason the Hebrew word "Mizpah," with its small form and exquisite sentiment, is, and has always been, a great favorite between lovers. "Love inspires love," "Love today while we may," "God saw thee most fit for me," "Love and trust," "No heart more true than mine to you," "I am thine, thou art mine," and its well known French, German and Latin forms are all great favorites. A charming fashion is the usage of two rings, in each one of which half the phrase is engraved, the two when read together giving the complete quotation. The last quoted sentiment is the favorite for this purpose. Latin and French phrases are frequently used in this connection because of their brevity. "Prendre moi tel que je suis," "Take me just as I am;" "Tuam tuebor," "I will defend thee;" "Semper fidelis," "Always faithful;" "Une je servirai," "One I will serve"—are a few of the most used phrases, with their translations.

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which you have made a hole with a redhot wire. Place the flask upright in a flat glass vessel, and around it build a mound of clay or of sand and earth to represent your volcano.

Now pour clear water into the glass vessel until the latter is nearly full, and you will see the red wine begin to come up from the flask in an ever widening thread, just like a column of vapor from a volcano. To start the wine from the flask, it may be necessary to give the water a circular motion with the hand, but this must be done very gently.

The principle is in the difference in the gravity of the two liquids; the wine, being lighter, ascends to the top of the vessel after coming out of the flask.

How Do You Pronounce Them?

You've all heard the fairy story about the pretty little girl whose beauty was spoiled when she spoke, for out of her mouth jumped with every word frogs, toads, lizards and all sorts of disagreeable things. Do you know there are pretty girls now, and fine, manly looking boys, who are almost as disagreeable when they begin to speak as that girl in the fairy story? It is because they talk carelessly and instead of clear, well spoken words, properly pronounced and grammatically phrased, they let all sorts of slovenly speech slip through their lips. Listen to what one household up town is doing to better the faulty English of its members. Each one who is detected by another in a slip of speech is fined on a sliding scale from 10 cents apiece for the parents to 1 cent for five blunders in the youngest child. The money goes into the fresh air bank. These are some of the poor tortured words that they have been paid for. They are spelled here as they were pronounced, and it will be a good exercise for you to go over them and see how many of them you would have pronounced in the same way: Sudgest, literachure, becuz, pleg, hooze, srewd, mortle, moddle, heighth, tremenjous, toob, wuz, yella, dooty, wite, hospittle, puple, afterwords, nauzea, verzion, Cincinnata, Febuary, Mizoura, libry, acrosst, excurzion, awfice, Wawshington, a tall for at all, and 'n', that popular conjunction.—New York Times.

The Dog Rides a Wheel.

A small boy has been riding about town with a box attached to the front of his bicycle. The box is made in imitation of a bicycle "'baby carrier." In the box sits a small black dog as proud as Lucifer. He looks around disdainfully and sneers at ordinary dogs who cannot ride a bicycle and are compelled to walk.

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"Yes, dad."

"An at the same time ye're goin ter move inter the neighborhood o' the wicked, whur yer foot's liable ter slip any minute."

"Yes, dad."

"Waal, whut I wanter say is jes' this: Home's goin ter stay right here, whur ye kin allus turn ter it. But times hez been mighty hard lately, an this farm never wan't no great shakes nohow."

"I know it, dad."

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NOTICE.

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BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE OF THE Superior Court of New Hanover county, in the cause therein pending wherein Thomas J. Gore is plaintiff and E. W. Hewlett and wife Fannie F. Hewlett are defendants, made at the September term, 1896, the undersigned Commissioner therein appointed will expose for sale, at the Court House door, on Friday, the 8th day of January, 1897, at 12 o'clock M., to the highest bidder, at public auction, for cash, all that lot of land in the City of Wilmington, N. C., bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point in the northern line of Dock street 110 feet west of the northwestern intersection of Eighth and Dock streets, and running thence westwardly along the said northern line of Dock street 44 feet, thence northwardly parallel with Eighth street 180 feet, thence eastwardly parallel with Dock street 44 feet, and thence southwardly parallel with Eighth street 180 feet to Dock street, the beginning; the same being part of lots 4 and 5 in Block 156, in the City of Wilmington, and the same conveyed by mortgage to the plaintiff by the defendants which is recorded at pages 544 et seq. of Book No. 19 of the Records in the office of the Register of Deeds of New Hanover county, N. C. This the 8th day of December, 1896.

JOHN G. MARSHALL, Commissioner.

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SCHEDULE IN EFFECT DEC. 13, 1896.

DEPARTURES FROM WILMINGTON—NORTHBOUND.

DAILY 9.35 A M — No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 10.59 a m, Warsaw 11.11 a m, Goldsboro 12.01 a m, Wilson 12.43 p m, Rocky Mount 1.20 p m, Tarboro 2.50 p m, Weldon 3.39 p m, Petersburg 5.22 p m, Richmond 6.40 p m, Norfolk 6.05 p m, Washington 11.10 p m, Baltimore 12.53 p m, Philadelphia 3.45 a m, New York 6.53 a m, †Boston 3.30 p m.

DAILY 7.15 P M — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.55 p m, Warsaw 9.10 p m, Goldsboro 10.10 p m, Wilson 11.06 p m, †Tarboro 6.45 a m, Rocky Mount 11.55 p m, Weldon 1.44 a m, †Norfolk 10.30 a m, Petersburg 3.22 a m, Richmond 4.20 a m, Washington 7.41 a m, Baltimore 9.05 a m, Philadelphia 11.25 a m, New York 2.03 p m, Boston 8.30 p m.

SOUTHBOUND.

DAILY 3.35 P M — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.22 p m, Chadbourn 5.04 p m, Marion 6.05 p m, Florence 6.45 p m, Sumter 8.27 p m, Columbia 9.50 p m, Denmark 6.20 a m, Augusta 8.00 a m, Macon 11.00 a m, Atlanta 12.15 p m, Charleston 10.20 p m, Savannah 12.50 a m, Jacksonville 7.00 a m, St. Augustine 10.30 a m, Tampa 4 35 p m.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.45 P M — No. 49—Passenger—Leave *Boston 1.03 p m, New York 9.00 p m, Philadelphia 12.05 a m, Baltimore 2.50 a m, Washington 4.30 a m, Richmond 9.05 a m, Petersburg 10.00 a m, Norfolk 8.40 a m, Weldon 11.50 a m, Tarboro 12.12 p m, Rocky Mount 12.45 p m, Wilson 2.12 p m, Goldsboro 3.10 p m, Warsaw 4.02 p m, Magnolia 4.16 p m.

DAILY 9.30 a m — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12.03 a m, New York 9.30 a m, Philadelphia 12.09 p m, Baltimore 2.25 p m, Washington 3.46 p m, Richmond 7.30 p m, Petersburg 8.12 p m, †Norfolk 2.25 p m, Weldon 9.44 p m, †Tarboro 6.05 p m, Rocky Mount 5.40 a m, leave Wilson 6.15 a m, Goldsboro 7.00 a m, Warsaw 7.51 a m, Magnolia 8.03 a m.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 12.15 p m — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 7.40 a m, Sanford 1.45 p m, Jacksonville 7 10 p m, Savannah 12.10 night, Charleston 5.30 a m, Columbia 5.50 a m, Atlanta 7.15 a m, Macon 9.00 a m, Augusta 2.25 p m, Denmark 4.37 p m, Sumter 7.12 a m, Florence 8.55 a m, Marion 9.34 a m, Chadbourn 10.35 a m, Lake Waccamaw 11.06 a m.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 4.10 p m, Halifax 4.28 p m, arrive Scotland Neck 5.20 p m, Greenville 6.57 p m, Kinston 7 55 p m. Returning, leaves Kinston 7 20 a m, Greenville 8.22 a m, Arriving Halifax at 11 00a m, Weldon 11.20 a m, daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.00 a m and 2 00 p m, arrive Parmele 8.50 a m and 3 40 p m; returning leaves Parmele 9.50 a m and 6 30 p. m, arrives Washington 11 25 a m and 7.20 p. m. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily at 5.30 p m, arrives Plymouth 7.40 p m. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily at 7.30 a m., Arrive Tarboro 9.50 a m.

Train on Midland N C Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7 10 a m; arrive Smithfield N. C., 8.30 a m. Returning, leaves Smithfield 9 00 a m, arrive Goldsboro, N. C., 10 25 a m.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 4.30 p m, arrives Nashville 5.05 p m, Spring Hope 5.30 p m. Returning leaves Spring Hope 8 a m, Nashville 8 35 a m; arrive Rocky Mount 9 05 a m, daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton Daily except Sunday at 11.10 a m and 9.15 p m; returning leave Clinton at 7.00 a m. and 3.00 p m.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 9.10 a m, arrive Latta 9.30 a m, Dillon 9 42 a m, Rowland 10 00 a m., returning leaves Rowland 5 38 p m, arrives Dillon 5.56 p m, Latta 6.09 p m, Pee Dee 6.30 p m, daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 8.30 a m, Chadbourn 10.40 a m, arrive Conway 1.00 p m, leave Conway 2 25 p m, Chadbourn 5.20 p m, arrive Hub 6.00 p m, Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence 8 53 a m, 9 40 a m and 8 00 p m, arrive Darlington 9 28 a m, 10 20 a m and 8 30 p m, leave Darlington 9 31 a m and 10 40 a m, arrive Cheraw 10 40 a m and 12 30 p m, leave Cheraw 12 45 p m, arrive Wadesboro 2 25 p m, Returning leave Wadesboro 3 p m, arrive Cheraw 4 45 p m, leave Cheraw 4 45 p m and 5 15 p m, arrive Darlington 7.10 p m and 6 25 p m. Leave Darlington 7 45 p m, 6 27 and 7 45 a m, arrive Florence 8.40 p m, 6 55 p m and 8 15 a m. Daily except Sunday. Sunday trains leave Floyds 7 30 a m, Darlington 7 45 a m, arrive Florence 8 10 a m. Returning leave Florence 9 a m, Darlington 9 30 a m, arrive Floyds 9 40 a m. Trains leave Gibson 6.15 a m, Bennettsville 6 41 a m, arrive Darlington 7.40 a m, Sumter 9 25 a m. Returning, leave Sumter 6 45 p m, Darlington 8 35 p m, arrive Bennettsville 9 26 p m, Gibson 9 50 p m.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 6 37 p m, Manning 6.55 p m, arrive Lane's 7 27 p m, leave Lanes 8.28 a m, Manning 9.05 a m, arrive Sumter 9.35 a m. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lanes 9.30 a m, 7.10 p m, arrive Georgetown 12 m, 8.30 p m, leave Georgetown 7 a m, 3 p m, arrive Lanes 8.25 a m, 5.25 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 2.05 p m, 11.16 p m, arrive Selma 2.50 p m, Smithfield 2.53 p m, Dunn 3.35 p m, Fayetteville 4.15 p m, 1.07 a m, Rowland 5.38 p m, returning leave Rowland 10.00 a m, Fayetteville 11.20 a m, 10.20 p m, Dunn 12.07 a m, Smithfield 12.48 p m, Selma 1.00 p m, arrive Wilson 1.42 p m, 12.10 p m.

Manchester & Augusta Railroad train leaves Sumter 4 30 a m, Creston 5 2: a m, arrive Denmark 6 20 a m. Returning leave Denmark 4 37 p m, Creston 5 52 p m, Sumter 6 30 p m Daily.

Pregnalls Branch train leaves Creston 5 45 a m, arrive Pregnalls 9 15 a m. Returning leaves Pregnalls 10 p m, arrives Creston 3 50 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 11.10 a m and 7.35 p m, arrive Lucknow 1 p m and 8.35 p m, Returning leave Lucknow 6 05 a m and 2.00 p m, arrive Elliot 8.25 a m and 3.30 p m.

†Daily except Sunday. *Sunday only.

H. M. EMERSON, Gen'l Passenger Agent.

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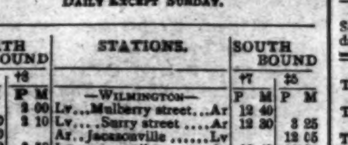
T. M. EMERSON, Traffic Manager. dec 15 tf

W., N. & N. Railway.



In Effect Sunday, May 17, 1896

DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

NORTH BOUND #6	#8	STATIONS.	SOUTH BOUND #7	#5
A M	P M	—WILMINGTON—	P M	P M
	3 00	Lv...Mulberry street...Ar	12 40	
7 00	3 10	Lv....Surry street....Ar	12 30	3 25
9 50		Ar..Jacksonville......Lv		12 05
11 00	3 58	Lv " Ar	10 42	10 25
11 58	4 30	Lv...Maysville.......Lv	10 09	9 18
12 30	4 44	Lv...Pollocksville.....Lv	9 55	8 50
1 30	5 15	Ar...Newbern.........Lv	9 20	8 10
	P M		A M	

Nos. 5 and 6 mixed trains.

Nos. 7 and 8 passenger trains.

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Connection with Steamer Neuse at Newbern to and from Elizabeth City and Norfolk Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Steamer Geo. D. Purdy makes daily trips between Jacksonville and New River points.

*Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

‡Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

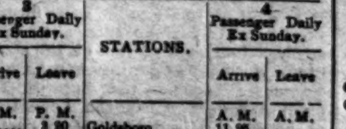
†Daily except Sunday.

H. A. WHITING, General Manager.

J. W. MARTENIS, Traffic Manager. my 23 tf

Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad

[Time Table.]



In Effect Wednesday, May 27th, 1896.

GOING EAST. 3 Passenger Daily Ex Sunday. Arrive	Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. 4 Passenger Daily Ex Sunday. Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
....	3 20	Goldsboro	11 25	....
....	4 19	Kinston	10 32	....
5 15	5 25	Newbern	9 17	9 30
6 37	6 42	Morehead City...	8 01	8 07
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11 35 a m, and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 p. m., and with W. N. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 p. m., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 p. m. No. 1 train also connects with W. N. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points. S. L. DILL, Sup't.

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CONDENSED SCHEDULE.

IN EFFECT DECEMBER 20, 189 .

SOUTH BOUND DAILY No. 1.	MAIN LINE.	NORTH BOUND DAILY No. 2.
7 45 p. m.	Ar...Wilmington...Lve	7 50 a.
4 35 "	Lv...Fayetteville...Ar	11 00 a m
4 18 "	Ar...Fayetteville...Lv	11 21 "
4 12 "	Ar Fayetteville Junc Lv	11 27 "
2 55 "	Lv....Sanford.....Lv	1 00 p. m
12 43 "	Lv......Climax......Lv	2 55 "
12 15 "	Lv....Greensboro....Ar	3 25 "
11 55 a m	Ar....Greensboro....Lv	3 35 "
11 07 "	Lv....Stokesdale....Lv	4 26 "
"		"
10 22 "	Lv..Walnut Cove...Lv	4 55 "
10 04 "	Lv....Rural Hall...Lv	5 20 "
8 40 "	Lv.....Mt Airy.....Ar	6 50 "

SOUTH BOUND DAILY No. 3.	Bennettsville Division.	NORTH BOUND DAILY No. 4.
7 52 p m	Ar...Bennettsville...Lv	8 30 a. m.
6 17 "	Lv......Maxton......Ar	9 40 "
5 36 "	Lv...Red Springs....Lv	10 18 "
4 45 "	Lv....Hope Mills....Lv	11 01 "
4 28 "	Lv....Fayetteville...Ar	11 19

SOUTH BOUND Daily except Sunday. No. 15. MIXED.	Factory and Madison Branches.	NORTH BOUND Daily except Sunday. No. 16. MIXED.
6 05 p m	Ar.....Ramseur.....Lv	6 45 a.
4 20 "	Lv.....Climax......Lv	8 35 "
3 25 "	Lv ...Greensboro...Ar	9 20 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 16 MIXED, daily ex su
Leave Greensboro	9 35 a. m
Leave Stokesdale	11 07 "
Arrive Madison	11 55 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 15. MIXED, daily ex su
Leave Madison	12 30 p m
Leave Stokesdale	1 28 "
Arrive Greensboro	2 40 "

NORTH-BOUND CONNECTIONS

At Fayetteville with the Atlantic Coast Line for all points North and East, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line, at Greensboro with the Southern Railway Company, at Walnut Cove with the Norfolk & Western R. R. for Winston Salem.

SOUTH-BOUND CONNECTIONS

At Walnut Cove with the Norfolk & Western Railroad for Roanoke and points North and West, at Greensboro with the Southern Railway Company for Raleigh, Richmond and all points North and East, at Fayetteville with the Atlantic Coast Line for all points South, at Maxton with the Seaboard Air Line for Charlotte, Atlanta and all points South and Southwest.

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WEST AND SOUTH.

APRIL 5th, 1896.		No. 41.	No. 403
		P. M.	A. M.
Leave Wilmington,	S. A. L.	* 3 20	
Arrive Maxton	"	6 12	
Arrive Hamlet	"	6 55	
Leave Hamlet	"	7 15	* 9 10
Arrive Wadesboro	"	8 01	9 52
Arrive Monroe	"	8 55	10 40
Leave Monroe	"	9 10	10 45
Arrive Charlotte	"	10 20	11 35
			P. M.
Arrive Lincolnton	"		12 55
Arrive Shelby	"		1 50
Arrive Rutherfordton	"		3 00
		A. M.	
Leave Hamlet	S. A. L.	† 9 25	
Arrive Osborne	"	9 50	
" Kollock	"	10 25	
" Cheraw	"	10 45	
			P. M.
Leave Cheraw	S. A. L.		† 5 30
" Kollock	"		5 50
" Osborne	"		6 25
Arrive Hamlet	"		6 50
		P. M.	
Leave Wilmington	S. A. L.	* 3 20	
			A. M.
" Monroe	"	9 05	*10 45
Arrive Chester	"	10 32	12 08
			P. M.
" Clinton	"	11 58	1 20
		A. M.	
" Greenwood	"	1 00	2 33
" Abbeville	"	1 32	2 58
" Elberton	"	2 36	4 00
" Athens	"	3 38	5 10
" Atlanta	"	5 20	6 45
Leave Atlanta	A. & W. P.	5 35	
Ar Montgomery	West of Ala.	10 45	
		P. M.	
Arrive Mobile	L. & N.	4 10	
" New Orleans	"	* 8 30	
		A. M.	P. M.
Arrive Columbia	C. N. & L.	*10 00	* 4 30
		A. M.	P. M.
Arrive Augusta	P. R. & W. C.	† 9 35	* 5 05
			P. M.
Arrive Macon	M. & N.		* 6 40

EAST AND NORTH.

APRIL 5th, 1896.		No 38.	No 402
			P. M.
Leave Wilmington	S. A. L		* 3 20
		A. M.	
Arrive Hamlet	"		6 55
Leave Hamlet	"	* 8 15	10 35
Arrive Southern Pines	"	9 15	11 21
			A. M.
" Raleigh	"	11 26	1 21
		P. M.	
" Henderson	"	1 00	2 33
" Weldon	"	* 3 00	* 4 05
		P. M.	A. M.
Arrive Portsmouth	S. A. L.	* 5 50	* 7 30
" Norfolk	"	6 00	7 50
		P. M.	A. M.
Arrive Richmond	A. C. L.	* 6 40	* 6 40
" Washington	P. R. R.	11 10	10 45
		A. M.	P. M.
" Baltimore	"	12 48	12 05
" Philadelphia	"	3 45	2 20
" New York	"	* 6 53	* 4 53

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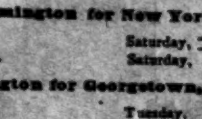

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ONEIDA,	Saturday,	Jan. 23
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ONEIDA,	Tuesday,	Jan. 19
CROATAN,	Tuesday,	Jan. 26

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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

TUESDAY MORNING, JAN. 19, 1897

BANKS FAILED.

The First National of Newport, Ky., and the German National of Louisville.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 18.—The First National Bank of Newport, Ky., did not open its doors this morning. The news spread rapidly and soon there was a crowd of excited depositors assembled in front of the bank, clamoring for an explanation. The officials sent out word that the bank was solvent but had been forced to close down for lack of ready money. Assurances were given that the depositors would not lose a cent. The depositors refused to be satisfied. Ugly rumors found expression and the excitement grew still greater when it became known that Comptroller of the Currency Eckels and a national bank examiner of Washington were to be in Newport to-day. The capital stock of the bank is $300,000. John Trapp is president.

The bank will be reorganized. The deposits are about $370,000 and depositors will be paid in full. Director Charles Spinks says the bank closed because of the recklessness of Cashier Vautsey and Director McCracken.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 18.—The Minnesota Savings Bank has made an assignment to Wm. Bickel, Sr., vice president of the defunct Albemarle Bank and father of Wm. Bickel, Jr., president of the Minnesota Savings Bank. Assets about $350,000; liabilities $310,000.

LOUISVILLE, Jan. 18.—The German National Bank of this city did not open its doors for business this morning and the announcement was made that the institution was in the hands of Bank Examiner James Escott. The capital stock is $351,500, with a surplus of $31,000. J. M. McKnight is president.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Wheat Closed at a Decline in Price—Corn and Oats Lower—Pork Products Were a Shade Higher.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, Jan. 18.—May wheat opened from 81¼ to 80⅜c, declined to 80⅛c, where it closed—⅝c under Saturday. Cash wheat was in slow demand and easy, a decline of ¼c being quoted.

May corn opened at 24¾@24⅞c, declined to 24⅛c, closing at 24¼@24⅜c—⅝@½c under Saturday. Cash corn sold at steady prices, but at the close was nominally ¼@⅜c lower.

May oats closed ⅜c under Saturday. Cash oats were steady, closing nominally weak and lower.

Provisions—Although the receipts of hogs were heavy this morning, they were nevertheless short of anticipation. Prices at the yards, under the circumstances, opened steady, later advancing. Product was affected by that news. Lard, however, without showing sympathy. This was due to the large world's stock of that commodity. At the close May pork was 2½@5c higher; May lard a shade higher, and May ribs 5c higher.

SPOTS AND FUTURES.

New York Sun's Review of the Cotton Market.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—The *Sun* says: Spot cotton here declined 1 16c with sales of 885 bales for shipping; 1,900 bales were delivered on contract.

There were no new developments in the cotton market to day. The trading was quiet and in the main of a local character. At the opening prices declined, partly in sympathy with a lower market in Liverpool both for futures and spots and partly by reason of increased estimates of the port receipts. Before the close, however, most of the loss was recovered, the market closing steady at a slight decline as compared with Saturday's final quotations. The early sellers bought back their cotton and New Orleans also bought here. The decline in Liverpool, it is stated, was caused by cables from this side predicting increased receipts at the ports for the week. The interior movement is expected to be smaller and it is now quite generally believed that the quantity to come into sight for the week will not exceed 150,000 bales, against 167,000 last week. The Southern spot market to-day was firm and fairly active and it was rumored here that 900 bales had been taken by spinners, though the report could not be confirmed.

The bubonic plague which is raging in Bombay is growing worse daily, and the flight of the inhabitants is increasing. It is estimated that nearly, if not actually, two-thirds of the population have fled, and in many instances have carried contagion with them.

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NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 18.—Rosin quiet; strained common to good $1 70@$1 73½. Spirits turpentine steady at 27½@28¼c.

SAVANNAH, January 18.—Spirits turpentine steady at 25¾c; sales 22 casks; receipts 719 casks. Rosin firm; sales 1,500 barrels; receipts 6,208 barrels; A, B, C, D $1 50, E, F $1 55, G $1 60, H $1 70, I $1 85, K $1 90, M $1 90, N $1 90, W G $2 00, W W $2 20.

CHARLESTON, January 18.—Spirits turpentine firm at 25c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — barrels; A, B, C, $1 40, D, E $1 45, F G $1 50, H $1 65, I $1 75, K $1 80, M $1 80, N $1 80, W G $1 90, W W $2 00.

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SENATE AND HOUSE.

MEMORIAL FROM KANSAS TO LIMIT POWER OF THE SUPREME COURT.

Bill Introduced to Provide Representation of the United States at Any International Monetary Conference—Appropriation Bills—The Venezuela Matter—Nicaragua Canal Bill Discussed—Bills Passed by the House.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—In the Senate to-day Mr. Peffer, of Kansas, Populist, presented a memorial from his State, proposing that the power of the Supreme Court shall be so limited as to require the court, in case of an intended decision against the constitutionality of an act of Congress, to furnish Congress with an advance copy of its decision, as in the case of a Presidential veto, so that Congress may hold the right by a two-thirds vote, to affirm the constitutionality of the action.

Senator Murphy's bill for a new custom house building in New York was reported back favorably and placed on the calendar. The present custom house site is to be used, and the limit of cost is to be five million dollars. The building commissioners are to be Chas. N. Taylor, Geo. B. Post, Hugh J. Grant and James T. Kilbreth.

The bill to provide for a representation of the United States by commissioners at any international monetary conference was introduced, and is to be taken up to morrow without reference to a committee. It is known as Senator Wolcott's bill, but in the absence of that Senator in England, it was introduced by Mr. Chandler, of New Hampshire, Republican.

The Army Appropriation bill, appropriating over $23,000,000, was passed without question or remark. There were a few minor amendments, which will probably be concurred in by the House without the formality of a conference.

The Legislative, Executive and Judicial and the Military Academy Appropriation bills were reported and placed on the calendar.

The Senate Committee added items to the former bill as passed the House, increasing the total by $60,885, and the Military Academy bill by $5,000.

Mr. Pettigrew of South Dakota, Silverite, offered a resolution calling on the Secretary of State for information as to the doings of the Venezuelan boundary commission, and to furnish a copy of the agreement on the subject between the United States and Great Britain, which had been already submitted to the Government of Venezuela. Laid on the table. Mr. Pettigrew giving notice that he would call it up to-morrow.

At 2 p. m., when the morning hour closed, a motion was made by Mr. Morgan to proceed to the consideration of the Nicaragua Canal bill. The motion was agreed to—yeas 36, nays 14. The bill was read in full and laid aside temporarily to permit the transaction of other business.

The President's message, transmitting report of the commissioners appointed to inquire as to the feasibility of constructing a canal between the Great Lakes and the Atlantic ocean, was laid before the Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

The Nicaraguan bill was then taken up, and after two hours' speech by Mr. Morgan in support of it, the Senate at 5 15 adjourned until to-morrow.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The House spent the day in considering miscellaneous matters, business of the District of Columbia occupying the greater portion of the session. Aside from these measures of purely local interest, bills were passed:

To prohibit and punish the sale of liquors to Indians over whom the Interior Department exercises guardianship; extending for two years the time for the completion of the Kansas, Oklahoma, Central & Southwestern Railway through the Indian Territory and Oklahoma; amending the patent laws along the lines proposed by the American Bar Association; to give to the United States the benefit of devices patented by naval officers; authorizing the construction of a bridge across the Rio Grande at El Paso, Tex.

An order was agreed to setting aside to-morrow's session for the consideration of private pension bills.

Mr. McCall, of Massachusetts, gave notice that he would call up the Yost-Tucker election case Wednesday.

At 4 o'clock the House adjourned until to-morrow.

S. C. DISPENSARY LAW.

The U. S. Supreme Court Decides That It Is Unconstitutional—In Violation of the Inter-State Commerce Law.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, January 18.—The Supreme Court of the United States to-day decided that the famous Dispensary law of South Carolina, at least so far as it attempted to prevent a citizen of the State from importing into the Commonwealth liquors for his own use, was in violation of the Inter-State Commerce clause of the Federal Constitution, and therefore null and void. The opinion of the Court was prepared by Justice Shiras, but in his absence owing to indisposition, its conclusions were announced by Chief Justice Fuller. The cases at the bar were begun in the Federal Court for South Carolina by James Donald, a citizen of that State, upon the seizure of a case of California claret, six bottles of Maryland whiskey and a barrel of Rochester (N. Y.) beer by R. M. Gardner, M. T. Holly, Sr., E. C. Beach and J. M. Scott, State constables, acting under the provisions of the dispensary law directing the seizure of all liquors in the hands of any common carrier, agent or private citizen not sold by the State agent, whether imported or otherwise. The trial court gave Donald judgment for $300 in each case, and the constables appealed. The cases were argued last Fall, the validity of the entire law being brought into question.

The opinion of the Court stated that the proceedings were not a suit against the State (which could not be brought without consent), and that the pleadings and the record raised questions which gave the Supreme Court of the United States jurisdiction of the whole subject.

The law was discussed at great length in the opinion and many authors cited, the result being that the judgment of the Court below, in favor of the owner of the liquors, was affirmed, with costs, for the reason that the law was in contravention of the clause of the National Constitution regulating commerce between the States. The opinion conceded that the Legislature of the State passed the law in what it believed to be the exercise of its police power, and with no intention to interfere with the operation of any Federal law or to discriminate against the products of any other State, but that intention, it continued, could not finally control the determination of the effect of the law.

Mr. Justice Brewer did not hear the argument and took no part in the decision. Mr. Justice Brown recorded a vigorous dissent.

In Olden Times

People overlooked the importance of permanently beneficial effects and were satisfied with transient action; but now that it is generally known that Syrup of Figs will permanently overcome habitual constipation, well-informed people will not buy other laxatives, which act for a time, but finally injure the system.

WARRING ON WOMEN.

MANY DISTINGUISHED CUBAN LADIES ARRESTED AND IMPRISONED.

Confined With Common Criminals—An Alarming Condition of Affairs in Havana—Small Pox Declared Epidemic—Supplies Cut Off by the Insurgents—Gomez Concentrating His Forces—The Spaniards Rushing Troops to Check His Advance.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

KEY WEST, FLA., Jan. 18.—The following Havana news has been received here: By order of the Civil Governor of Puerto Principe, Ordaz Avecilla, the following distinguished ladies have been arrested in that city: Concepcion Agramonte, widow of Francisco Sanchez Betancourt, Secretary of the Treasury in the last war, and mother of Benjamin Calixto, Armando, Alfredo and Eugenio Sanchez Agramonte, all in the revolution, the latter (Eugenio) being Gomez's physician; Angela Silva de Recio, wife of Brigadier Lope Recio Loynaz. Also, Maria Aguilar, sister of Aguilar Varona, ex-Cuban Civil Governor of Puerto Principe.

"It is also rumored that President Cisneres' sister and the following prominent citizens have been arrested: Jose Morell Y. Xiluas, Carlos Adan Y. Masvidal, Ramon Boza Y. Boza, Jos More Y. Para, Alberto Agamento Y. Boza, Vicete Ramirez Y. Ledesma, and many others.

The city is terribly excited, not only on account of these arrests, but also because of the suppression of *El Pueblo*. Persons wishing to leave are unable to do so, the Governor prohibiting their departure. The condition of the jail is frightful. There are no accommodations for ladies, and all those arrested are confined with common criminals.

Gomez was last reported at the ranch "La Campana," near Sancti Spiritus. There are many rebel movements in that section and Remedios. Gomez appears to be making a concentration of rebel forces, preparatory to a formal advance. The Government is rushing troops to that section and establishing a strong line on the borders of Matanzas and Santa Clara provinces. It is said Gomez has given orders to continue the skirmishing policy and to press no fights with troops, but harass them until the dry season is over. He has also ordered the capture of all cattle possible. It appears Gomez will not come to Havana province yet, knowing he would be caught in a trap, as this section affords no facilities to deploy his forces. There are no woods or hills, and besides, it is crossed with too many roads, railroads, towns at a short distance, etc. Then, too, Weyler would throw on Gomez the forty or fifty thousand men the Captain-General has hiding behind the trocha. Gomez knows Weyler's plan and is too smart to be caught.

The rebels continue active around Havana city. The people of the city have been without milk for the last four days. Vegetables are becoming scarce and the prices are increasing. The poor people are suffering thereby.

The condition of things is becoming alarming. Small pox has extended to all wards of the city and has assumed frightful proportions. The death rate is 47 per cent. Small pox has been officially declared epidemic.

The publication of all news of the burning of cane fields, farms, estates, etc., known to be occurring daily in the western provinces, especially Havana and Matanzas, is prohibited. The flames can be seen from the city. Rumors of many fights reach the city but are never printed. Pressure is exerted on correspondents of local papers not to transmit important happenings in the section named nor news of rebel movements.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

Inauguration of Gov. Ellerbe in the Presence of a Vast Audience—His Address Generously Applauded.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

COLUMBIA, Jan. 18.—At noon to-day, in the Hall of the House of Representatives, and in the presence of a vast audience composed of all classes of people, William H. Ellerbe, the new Governor of South Carolina, was inaugurated, the oath being administered by the Chief Justice of the State Supreme Court. Subsequently the Lieutenant Governor, Miles B. McSweeney, was also inaugurated. In the audience were the young ladies of the female colleges. Participating in the inaugural procession were the Justices of the Supreme Court wearing their judicial robes, the Circuit Judges, the faculty and the students of the South Carolina College, the State officers and other notables. The historic mace and sword of State were borne in the procession. Governor Ellerbe's inaugural was a most conservative one. Having been elected by the votes of both factions, he pledged his word to be Governor of the whole, knowing no faction. He came out with an earnest plea for the moral support of the people in the enforcement of the Dispensary law and said he believed it to be the best system of controlling the liquor traffic. He also made an earnest plea for higher education by the State. The address struck a popular chord and he was generously applauded.

SPANISH GUNBOAT SUNK

And Many of Her Crew Killed by the Cuban Insurgents.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, Jan. 18.—Though the insurgents have no navy, they do not hesitate when the opportunity offers to attack the Spanish warships. The latest instance of this kind occurred yesterday morning, when a Spanish gunboat was sunk by means of a torpedo and many of her crew killed. A detachment of rebels had made an attack upon the forts at Guanamo, some distance up the Cauta river province of Santiago de Cuba and the Spanish troops, fearing that they would not be able to hold out, asked for assistance from Manzanillo, on the coast. On Saturday night the gunboats Centinela and Relampage left Manzanillo under orders to ascend the river and protect the forts. All went well until the gunboats were opposite a place called Mango, when the Relampage struck a torpedo. Instantly there was a terrific explosion. The hull of the Relampage was torn open and the vessel went down. Those on board the ship who were uninjured jumped into the river and swam for the Centinela. The Centinela's boats picked up the survivors under a heavy fire from the rebels. The Centinela then returned to Manzanillo. The commander of the Centinela was seriously wounded.

A dispatch from Madrid says that the *Tiempo* (newspaper) declares that the condition of affairs which recently brought the ministry to the verge of a crisis has been renewed and a crisis is again imminent.

The Democratic members of the Illinois General Assembly in caucus last night unanimously nominated ex-Governor John P. Altgeld as their candidate for United States Senator.

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For Infants and Children.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

A DECIDED VICTORY

Won By the Cubans in the United States Court at Jacksonville in the Case of the United States vs. The Steamer Three Friends.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., Jan. 18.—The Cuban insurgents won a decided victory in the United States Court this morning, as Judge Locke rendered a decision in the case of the United States vs. the steamer Three Friends for violation of the neutrality laws. The libel affirmed that the Three Friends was "then and there furnished, fitted out, and armed with one certain gun or guns, the exact number being to the attorney of the United States unknown, and with the munitions of war thereof, with intent then and there to be employed in the service of certain insurgents or persons in the island of Cuba, and with the intent to cruise or commit hostilities against the subjects, citizens or property of the King of Spain on the Island of Cuba."

To this the exception of the respondents was "that the said libel does not show that the said vessel was so armed or fitted out, or so furnished with the intent that such vessel should be so employed in the service of any body politic recognized or known to the United States as a body politic."

The answer of the libellant, the United States Government, to this exception was that the law as set forth in Section 5 285 of the Revised Statutes did not require that a vessel that was subject to condemnation for violation of the section should be employed by any body recognized by or known to the United States as a body politic. The point made by the respondent was that the statute contemplated a condition of war already existing and that when no war existed there could be no violation of the statute. The question was then suggested as to how the state of war was to be determined and it was argued on behalf of the respondents that it could come only by action of Congress; that it was far beyond the power of the judiciary to determine the fact; in other words, the insurgents must be recognized as belligerents before the statute could be violated. The Court sustained the exceptions of the respondents and gave the libellants ten days to file an amended libel. If a new libel is not filed within that time the $1 000 bond is to be cancelled and the vessel released.

CUBAN SYMPATHIZERS.

Mass Meeting at Charleston, S. C.—Academy of Music Filled to Overflowing.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Jan. 18.—A mass meeting of the sympathizers with the cause of the Cuban patriots was held here to night in the Academy of Music, the largest theatre in the city. The place was packed to overflowing and the wildest enthusiasm was displayed. The meeting opened with prayer for Cuban success, delivered by Dr. Vedder, the pastor of the French Huguenot Church, and the leading speech of the evening was made by the Hon. J. P. K. Bryan, one of the ablest lawyers of the Charleston bar. Resolutions were introduced and adopted favoring Cuban independence and recognition of the belligerency of the patriots. The Messrs. Valdez are the only two Cubans in Charleston and the faithful manner in which they have worked for the cause of the island was evinced by the rousing nature of the meeting to-night.

EXPRESS AGENT ARRESTED.

Charged with Stealing a Package Containing Four Thousand Dollars.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, January 18.—An express package containing $4.000 was stolen on Saturday from a Southern Express car on a branch of the Georgia Railroad between Winder and Social Circle. The package was shipped by the Bank of Winder to the Lowry Banking Company here. The agent at Winder gave the package to A. I. Butts, the Express route agent and took his receipt. Butts says that he placed the package in his car and did not miss it until he reached Social Circle. Then he reported its loss to the conductor. A message was sent to the Express superintendent here and he telegraphed to have Butts arrested. Butts was arrested but he declares that he does not know what became of the money. He is 21 years of age.

WARM WIRELETS.

Treasury balances: Coin, $123,683,699; currency, $46,998,985.

The President has appointed Thos. F. Byrum collector of customs for the district of Albemarle, North Carolina.

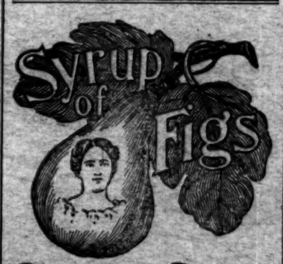
The Tyson block and the Y. M. C. A. building at Bonham, Texas, were destroyed by fire Sunday night. The loss is estimated at $50,000.

A telegram from Boston announces that Governor Long, of Massachusetts, has been tendered and has accepted the Secretaryship of the Navy in McKinley's Cabinet.

A Mobile telegram says that Bishop R. H. Wilmer, who has been ill for some time, is reported much improved and hope is entertained that his illness will not prove fatal.

The Senate yesterday confirmed the nomination of David R. Francis, of Missouri, to be Secretary of the Interior. The action was by common consent; the yeas and nays were not taken.

William J. Bryan left Chicago Sunday night for Houston, Texas, where he will lecture next Thursday evening. Mr. Bryan is accompanied by his stenographer and during his trip he will complete the work on his book.



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With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many physical ills, which vanish before proper efforts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts—rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge, that so many forms of sickness are not due to any actual disease, but simply to a constipated condition of the system, which the pleasant family laxative, Syrup of Figs, promptly removes. That is why it is the only remedy with millions of families, and is everywhere esteemed so highly by all who value good health. Its beneficial effects are due to the fact, that it is the one remedy which promotes internal cleanliness without debilitating the organs on which it acts. It is therefore all important, in order to get its beneficial effects, to note when you purchase, that you have the genuine article, which is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only and sold by all reputable druggists.

If in the enjoyment of good health, and the system is regular, laxatives or other remedies are then not needed. If afflicted with any actual disease, one may be commended to the most skillful physicians, but if in need of a laxative, one should have the best, and with the well-informed everywhere, Syrup of Figs stands highest and is most largely used and gives most general satisfaction.

WALLOPING WEYLER.

GOMEZ HAVING EVERYTHING HIS OWN WAY IN THE EAST.

Spaniards Cooped Up in Their Fortresses—Large Body of Insurgents Reported Near Havana—Forces of Gomez Completely Equipped.

TAMPA, FLA., Jan. 17.—Passengers by the *Olivette* bring news of the war situation on the island of Cuba. Port Au Principe and Santiago are practically in the hands of the Cubans, the Spaniards not daring to leave their fortresses, except under the protection of a strong escort. In fact the whole eastern portion of the island is now under the government of the Cubans.

Weyler permits nothing against his interest to pass his censorship, but it now comes out that the two hundred wounded taken into Havana last week were the result of an attack made on the trocha twenty miles from Havana by a Cuban column.

It is now certain that the Cuban General, Jose Maria Aguirre, died of pneumonia at El Ingliss, in the province of Havana, on the 29th ultimo.

The Spaniards are driven from the country into the cities and are fortifying themselves. They continue the work day and night at Havana. On Saturday morning before the *Olivette* left the Spanish troops were out practicing with heavy artillery. The bellowing of the great guns shook the ground and could be heard for many miles.

The stories published in this country that the Cuban leaders and sympathizers are ready to treat with the Crown on a basis of autonomy are denounced as slanders on Cuban manhood. They are emphatic in the statement that the Cubans will never accept anything at the hands of Spain but absolute independence. Gomez has never authorized anything to the contrary.

It is reported that Col. Fondevilla continues to butcher pacificos at Guanabacoa.

A large body of insurgents under Castillo and Delgado is reported near Havana. It is also reported that Gen. Calixto Garcia has defeated Gen. Sagura, inflicting a loss of 500 in killed and wounded on the Spaniards.

KINGSTON, JA., January 17.—Seven Cubans, including Senor Sauvenneli, have arrived here, bringing dispatches from Cuba. In accordance with the quarantine regulations they were detained for observation. Rumors continue to reach here that Maceo, the rebel leader, is still alive. It is said that he was desperately wounded in the engagement in which he was reported to have been killed, but that he is now improving. Little credence is placed in these rumors. Advices which have reached here are to the effect that Maximo Gomez now has his forces completely equipped, and is preparing to open a vigorous campaign against Captain General Weyler.

THE WADESBORO BANK.

An Interesting Case and an Important Decision—The Parent Bank at Wilmington and the Branch Bank at Wadesboro.

[*Charlotte Observer.*]

It will be remembered that the Bank of New Hanover, at Wilmington, which was so badly wrecked a few years ago, had established a branch bank at Wadesboro, and although the parent bank at Wilmington was overwhelmingly insolvent, the branch bank was entirely solvent when the crash came, and had more than enough assets to meet all its debts and liabilities.

When the parent bank made an assignment to Junius Davis, Esq., the Wadesboro bank, seeking to save its creditors and customers, made an assignment to Judge R. T. Bennett, but it was contended on the part of the assignee and receiver of the parent bank that all the assets of the Wadesboro bank had to be brought into "hotch-pot" and distributed as an integral part of the assets of the parent bank. For the bank at Wadesboro, on the other hand, it was contended that it was in all respects a separate bank and that the debts and liabilities of the branch bank should be first discharged in full out of its assets and then the surplus turned over to the receiver of the parent bank.

In the litigation which arose out of this controversy, it was agreed by the attorneys representing the several parties in interest that the matters involved should be referred to Col. H. C. Jones, of this city. Col. Jones accordingly went to Wilmington and took evidence there, and also at Wadesboro, and the case was subsequently argued before the referee in this city by the opposing attorneys. Col. Jones has just sent down his report as referee, and it will be interesting reading to all parties concerned in either of the banks.

The referee finds that the parent bank by appointing a separate corps of officers for the branch bank and by dealing with it as a separate bank for nearly 20 years, by suffering it to be held out to the world for so many years as a separate bank and by other like acts, was estopped now to assert that it was not a separate bank and that the assets being *"in custodia legis,"* a court of equity should administer them so as to protect those who have dealt with the branch bank as a separate bank. He accordingly holds as referee that the depositors and creditors of the bank at Wadesboro shall be first paid in full out of the assets of the bank at that place and the surplus turned over to the receiver of the parent bank.

It seems that in deciding this case Col. Jones has had in a measure to "blaze the way," as the distinguished lawyers who argued the case on both sides were not able to find any precedent "on all fours" with this, and it was therefore, as the lawyers say, "a case of the first impression."

The report of the referee will be reviewed by the judge who holds the Superior Court in Wilmington this week. The ultimate result of this important case will be watched with great interest.

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BY VIRTUE OF THE POWER OF SALE contained in a mortgage made by Isabella Farrior to the North Carolina Home Building Association, recorded in Book No. 18, page 197 of the records of New Hanover County, the undersigned will sell to the highest bidder, at public auction, at the Court House door in the City of Wilmington, N. C., on Tuesday, the 9th of February, 1897, at 12 o'clock M., the following lot of land in said city to-wit: Beginning at a point in the eastern line of Seventh street 150 feet north of the northern line of Church street, runs thence east parallel with Church street 165 feet to Wilson street, thence north with the west line of Wilson street 33 feet, thence west parallel with Church street 165 feet to east line of Seventh street, thence south with said line of Seventh street 33 feet to the beginning. JOHN D. BELLAMY,

Jan 18 3t Attorney for Mortgagee.

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What other house could handle the Dress Goods we do?

Regular Price.	Bargain Price.
75c Black and Navy Serge	48
$1 00 Novelty Dress Goods	69
50 Wool Suiting suitable for early Spring wear	25
$1 50 Silk and Wool Plaid	$1 00
19 Scotch Plaid	19½
$5 00 Pattern Suits only	$3 45
$1 75 Beaver for Capes	$1 25
$1 50 Silk Warp Henrietta Black	$1 00
$1 00 46 inch Silk finish Henrietta, Black	69
90 46 inch Silk finish Henrietta, Black	62
65 Fancy Figured Mohair	47
35 Black French Serge	23

About twenty-five other Dress Goods bargains.

DOMESTICS.

Regular Price.	Bargain Price.
10c Fast Lonsdale Cambric	9
10 Yard wide Fruit of Loom, Limit 10 yards	6½
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3 Bleached Sheeting	19
18 Feather Tick	13½
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8 " "	12
25 " "	19

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$9 00 Royal Rose	$7 00
$8 00 Royal Rose	$6 00
$6 00 Ferndale Rose	$3 95
$4 50 Household Blanket	$3 25

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$1 00 Fancy Waist Silk	50
$1 00 Black Satin Duchess	$1 10
$1 Silk Velvet, all shades	85
$1 50 Black Bengaline Silks	75
$1 50 Dresden Silks	$1 15
65 Rye rag shades of 22 inch Japanese Silk, extra quality	48

TABLE LINENS AND TOWELS.

Regular Price.	Bargain Price.
$1 00 72 inch Bleached Satin Damask	75
90 72 inch Bleached Satin Damask	65
50 60 inch Table Damask	35
50 Turkey Red Table Damask, fast colors	41
12½ Linen Huck Towel	9
19 Linen Huck Towel	12½
35 Hemstitched Huck "	27

5 special inducements in Turkish Bath and extra fine Towels.

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Oil Cloth and Window Shades.

Regular Price.	Bargain Price.
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85 Brussel Carpets	70
75 16 inch, new pattern	60
75 Wool Ingrain Carpet	5
50 Cotton Chain Carpet	33
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5 French Darning Cotton	2
8 Pins, special close out	2
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